

Mathematics. — *Approximate division of an angle into equal parts.* By
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The editors ¹⁾ of *Mathematica A* published an approximate construction of the trisection, due to M. MARTENS, a former head-master. Although this construction is very accurate for acute angles (with an error smaller than $21' 24''$), it is surpassed in this respect by the very simple construction given by S. C. VAN VEEN ²⁾, of which the error for acute angles is less than $2' 36''$.

These articles led H. MOOIJ to deal in his thesis ³⁾ with the problem of dividing a given angle approximately into a number of equal parts and even of the approximate construction of $r\alpha$, where α is a given angle and r denotes a number between zero and one, which can be constructed with a pair of compasses and a ruler.

MOOIJ's construction is based on the following theorem.

First theorem.

Describe a circle, the centre of which coincides with the vertex O of the given angle $AOB = 2\alpha \leq 180^\circ$.

Suppose that the circle intersects the legs of the angle at A and B .

Let C be the middle of the segment AB . Produce AB to D in such a way, that

$$CD = \frac{r^2 + 3}{4r} AC.$$

Describe a circle with D as centre and $\frac{3-3r^2}{4r} AC$ as radius, which intersects the smaller arc AB at E . Then $\angle COE$ is approximately equal to $r\alpha$ and the difference is smaller than

$$\frac{4}{3} r (1-r^2) \left(\operatorname{tg} \frac{1}{2} \alpha + \frac{1}{4} \sin \alpha - \frac{3}{4} \alpha \right).$$

Thus the trisection ($r = \frac{1}{3}$) gives the following construction, which is identical to VAN VEEN's.

Describe a circle with the unit as radius, the centre O of which is the vertex of the given angle $AOB = 2\alpha \leq 180^\circ$. Assume that the circle intersects the legs of the given angle 2α at A and B . Let C be the middle of AB . Produce AB to D such that

$$CD = \frac{7}{3} AC.$$

¹⁾ Trisectie, *Mathematica A* 6 (1937—38), p. 1—4.

²⁾ S. C. VAN VEEN, Benaderde trisectie, *Mathematica A* 7 (1938—39), p. 229—237.

³⁾ H. MOOIJ, Over de didactiek van de meetkunde benevens benaderingsconstructies ter verdeling van een hoek in gelijke delen, Thesis Amsterdam 1948.

Describe a circle with D as centre and AB as radius, which intersects the smaller arc AB at E . Then $\angle COE$ is approximately equal to $\frac{1}{3} \alpha$ and the difference is smaller than

$$\frac{2}{3} \left(\operatorname{tg} \frac{1}{2} \alpha + \frac{1}{4} \sin \alpha - \frac{3}{4} \alpha \right).$$

In this article the proof of the results found by MOOIJ will again be given. Further we shall give a second approximate construction of $r \alpha$, which is a little more complicated, but gives a more accurate approximation.

The new construction is based on the following theorem.

Second theorem.

Describe a circle with the unit as radius, the centre O of which coincides with the vertex of the given angle $AOB = 2\alpha \leq 180^\circ$.

Assume the circle intersects the legs of the given angle at A and B ; let C be the middle of AB . Produce AB to D such that

$$CD = \frac{1}{4r} (3 + r^2) AC + \frac{1}{240r} (1 - r^2) (9 - r^2) AC^3. \quad \dots (1)$$

Describe a circle with D as centre and the radius

$$\frac{3}{4r} (1 - r^2) AC + \frac{1}{240r} (1 - r^2) (9 - r^2) AC^3. \quad \dots (2)$$

If this circle intersects the smaller arc AB of circle O at E , then $\angle COE$ is approximately equal to $r \alpha$ and the difference is smaller than

$$\frac{4}{3} r \left(\operatorname{tg} \frac{1}{2} \alpha + \frac{1}{4} \sin \alpha + \frac{3}{80} \sin^3 \alpha - \frac{3}{80} \alpha \sin^2 \alpha - \frac{3}{4} \alpha \right).$$

As for the trisection ($r = \frac{1}{3}$) we get the following approximate construction.

Describe a circle with the unit as radius, the centre O of which is the vertex of the given angle $OAB = 2\alpha \leq 180^\circ$.

Assume that the circle intersects the legs of the given angle 2α at A and B and that C is the centre of AB . Produce AB to D , such that

$$CD = \frac{7}{3} AC + \frac{8}{81} AC^3.$$

Describe a circle with D as centre and with

$$2 AC + \frac{8}{81} AC^3$$

as radius. This circle intersects the smaller arc AB at E . Then $\angle COE$ is approximately equal to $\frac{1}{3} \alpha$ and the difference is smaller than

$$\frac{4}{3} \left(\operatorname{tg} \frac{1}{2} \alpha + \frac{1}{4} \sin \alpha + \frac{3}{80} \sin^3 \alpha - \frac{3}{80} \alpha \sin^2 \alpha - \frac{3}{4} \alpha \right).$$

This construction becomes somewhat simpler, if the factor $(9 - r^2)$ in the second term of (1) en (2) is replaced by 9.

If $r = \frac{1}{3}$, we get

$$CD = \frac{7}{3} AC + \frac{1}{10} AC^3 \quad \dots (3)$$

and the radius of the circle with D as centre becomes

$$2 AC + \frac{1}{10} AC^3. \dots \dots \dots (4)$$

This approximation is extraordinarily accurate. In order to have a survey of the accuracy of the approximation of the trisection, we give the following tables, referring to the three constructions I, II and III; here I denotes VAN VEEN's construction (which also occurs in MOOIJ's thesis); II is the construction according to the formulae (1) en (2) and finally III is the simpler construction in which the formulae (3) and (4) are applied.

Difference from $\frac{1}{3} a$.			
$2 a$	I	II	III
180°	1° 35' 17"	1° 4' 9.5"	1° 3' 7.1"
120°	11' 19"	4' 21.2"	4' 16.9"
90°	2' 38"	37.3"	35.7"
60°	18"	2.29"	2.25"

For the proof of the above assertions we need the following lemma

Lemma.

Assume the real numbers A, B, C and D satisfy the inequalities

$$A^2 + B^2 \cong C^2; \quad A^2 + B^2 > D^2; \quad C \neq D$$

and the real number t satisfies

$$A \sin t + B \cos t = D.$$

Then the equation

$$A \sin x + B \cos x = C \dots \dots \dots (5)$$

has at least one real solution x for which the inequality

$$|x - t| < \frac{2 |C - D|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - C^2} + \sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - D^2}}$$

holds and for which $x - t$ has the same sign as

$$\frac{C - D}{A \cos t - B \sin t}$$

Moreover

$$A \cos t - B \sin t = \pm \sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - D^2} \neq 0.$$

For the proof we substitute $x = t + u$ in (5) and we introduce z determined by

$$\operatorname{tg} \frac{1}{2} u = z \quad (-\pi < u < \pi).$$

Equation (5) becomes

$$A \sin (t + u) + B \cos (t + u) = C,$$

whence

$$A \left(\frac{1-z^2}{1+z^2} \sin t + \frac{2z}{1+z^2} \cos t \right) + B \left(\frac{1-z^2}{1+z^2} \cos t - \frac{2z}{1+z^2} \sin t \right) = C,$$

consequently

$$z^2(A \sin t + B \cos t + C) - 2z(A \cos t - B \sin t) - (A \sin t + B \cos t - C) = 0,$$

hence

$$(D + C)z^2 + 2(B \sin t - A \cos t)z + C - D = 0. \quad \dots (6)$$

The discriminant of this quadratic equation is

$$\Delta = (B \sin t - A \cos t)^2 - (C^2 - D^2)$$

and therefore

$$\Delta = A^2 + B^2 - C^2 \geq 0.$$

The roots of (6) are

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{tg} \frac{1}{2} u &= \frac{A \cos t - B \sin t \pm \sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - C^2}}{C + D} \\ &= \frac{A^2 + B^2 - D^2 - A^2 - B^2 + C^2}{(C + D)(A \cos t - B \sin t \mp \sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - C^2})}. \end{aligned}$$

The sign of $\pm \sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - C^2}$ can be taken equal to that of $A \cos t - B \sin t$ and then the sign of $\operatorname{tg} \frac{1}{2} u$ is the same as that of

$$\frac{C - D}{A \cos t - B \sin t}.$$

According to our convention u lies between $-\pi$ and π , so that $\frac{1}{2} u$ has the same sign as $\operatorname{tg} \frac{1}{2} u$, thus

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{1}{2} u \right| < \left| \operatorname{tg} \frac{1}{2} u \right| &= \frac{|C - D|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - C^2} + |A \cos t - B \sin t|} \\ &= \frac{|C - D|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - C^2} + \sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - D^2}} \end{aligned}$$

where $u = x - t$. This establishes the proof.

For the proof of the first theorem we put

$$AO = 1; \angle COE = x; CD = p \sin a; DE = q \sin a \text{ and } \angle BDE = y.$$

By projecting OED on OC and on AD , we get the relations

$$\cos x - q \sin a \sin y = \cos a$$

and

$$\sin x + q \sin a \cos y = p \sin a.$$

By eliminating y we obtain

$$p \sin a \sin x + \cos a \cos x = 1 + \frac{1}{2}(p^2 - q^2 - 1) \sin^2 a,$$

thus

$$A \sin x + B \cos x = C,$$

where

$$A = p \sin a; \quad B = \cos a \quad \text{and} \quad C = 1 + \frac{1}{2}(p^2 - q^2 - 1) \sin^2 a. \quad (7)$$

We have to determine A and C in such a way, that x is approximately equal to ra ; therefore we put

$$A \sin ra + B \cos ra = D. \quad (8)$$

Then, according to the above lemma,

$$|ra - x| < \frac{2|C - D|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - C^2} + \sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - D^2}} \quad (9)$$

Expanding $\cos ra$ and $\sin ra$ in powers of $\sin a$, we get

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \cos ra &= 1 - \frac{r^2}{2!} \sin^2 a + \frac{r^2(2^2 - r^2)}{4!} \sin^4 a - \frac{r^2(2^2 - r^2)(4^2 - r^2)}{6!} \sin^6 a + \dots \\ \sin ra &= r \sin a + \frac{r(1^2 - r^2)}{3!} \sin^3 a + \frac{r(1^2 - r^2)(3^2 - r^2)}{5!} \sin^5 a + \dots \end{aligned} \right\} (10)$$

From the relations (7) and (10) it follows that (8) becomes

$$D = p \sin a \left\{ r \sin a + \frac{r(1^2 - r^2)}{3!} \sin^3 a + \dots \right\} + \cos a \cos ra.$$

Differentiation of (10) gives

$$r \cos ra = r \cos a \left\{ 1 + \frac{1^2 - r^2}{2!} \sin^2 a + \frac{(1^2 - r^2)(3^2 - r^2)}{4!} \sin^4 a + \dots \right\}.$$

By substituting this result in the above value of D , we get

$$\left. \begin{aligned} D &= p \sin a \left\{ r \sin a + \frac{r(1^2 - r^2)}{3!} \sin^3 a + \frac{r(1^2 - r^2)(3^2 - r^2)}{5!} \sin^5 a + \dots \right\} + \\ &+ (1 - \sin^2 a) \left\{ 1 + \frac{1^2 - r^2}{2!} \sin^2 a + \frac{(1^2 - r^2)(3^2 - r^2)}{4!} \sin^4 a + \dots \right\}. \end{aligned} \right\} (11)$$

Putting

$$a_h = \{(2h - 1)^2 - \varrho\} a_{h-1}; \quad a_0 = 1; \quad \psi(h) = -(2h - 1 + \varrho) + 2prh$$

and replacing $\sin a$ by s and r^2 by ϱ , we find

$$D = \sum_{h=0}^{\infty} \frac{s^{2h} a_{h-2} \{(2h - 3)^2 - \varrho\}}{(2h)!} \psi(h) \quad (12)$$

In order to get a good approximation of ra , we choose p and q in such a way, that the expansion of $C - D$ begins with $\sin^6 a$. This gives

$$\frac{1}{2}(p^2 - q^2 - 1) = pr - 1 + \frac{1}{2}(1 - r^2) \quad \text{and} \\ \frac{pr(1^2 - r^2)}{3!} + \frac{(1^2 - r^2)(3^2 - r^2)}{4!} - \frac{1^2 - r^2}{2!} = 0,$$

hence

$$p = \frac{r^2 + 3}{4r} \text{ and } q = \frac{3 - 3r^2}{4r}. \quad \dots \dots \dots (13)$$

In what follows an upperbound is given for the error, provided that r lies between 0 and 1. Substituting in (12) the value of p given by (13), we get

$$\psi(h) = -2h + 1 - \varrho + \frac{r^2 + 3}{2r} hr = \frac{1}{2}(h-2)(\varrho-1)$$

hence

$$D = \sum_{h=0}^{\infty} \frac{s^{2h} a_{h-2} \{(2h-3)^2 - \varrho\}}{2 \cdot (2h)!} (h-2)(\varrho-1).$$

In $C-D$ the terms with s^0 ; s^2 and s^4 disappear, hence

$$\begin{aligned} C-D &= - \sum_{h=3}^{\infty} \frac{s^{2h} a_{h-2} \{(2h-3)^2 - \varrho\}}{2 \cdot (2h)!} (h-2)(\varrho-1) \\ &= (1-\varrho)^2 (3^2 - \varrho) U s^6, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$U = \frac{1}{2 \cdot 6!} + \frac{2(5^2 - \varrho) 5^2}{2 \cdot 8!} + \frac{3 \cdot (5^2 - \varrho)(7^2 - \varrho) 5^4}{2 \cdot 10!} + \dots$$

By virtue of $0 \leq \varrho \leq 1$ the inequality $U \leq U_0$ is evident, consequently

$$C-D \leq s^6 (1-\varrho)^2 (3^2 - \varrho) U_0$$

where U_0 denotes the value of U at the point $\varrho = 0$. Hence

$$C-D \leq (1-\varrho)^2 (1 - \frac{1}{8}\varrho) (C-D)_0, \quad \dots \dots \dots (14)$$

where $(C-D)_0$ denotes the value which $C-D$ takes for $\varrho = 0$.

The denominator of the right hand side of (9) contains the terms $\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - C^2}$ and $\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - D^2}$. Here

$$\begin{aligned} A^2 + B^2 - C^2 &= p^2 s^2 + \cos^2 a - \{1 + \frac{1}{2}(p^2 - q^2 - 1) s^2\}^2 \\ &= q^2 s^2 - \frac{1}{4}(p^2 - q^2 - 1)^2 s^4. \end{aligned}$$

Substitution of the values of p and q , found in (13), gives

$$A^2 + B^2 - C^2 = \frac{9(1-\varrho)^2}{16\varrho} s^2 - \frac{(1-\varrho)^2}{16} s^4,$$

hence

$$\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - C^2} = \frac{3(1-\varrho)}{4r} s \sqrt{1 - \frac{\varrho}{9} s^2}. \quad \dots \dots \dots (15)$$

By putting $t = ra$ in the last formula of our lemma and substituting (7), we obtain

$$\pm \sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - D^2} = p \sin a \cos ra - \cos a \sin ra \quad \dots \dots (16)$$

With the aid of the series (10), by substituting $p = \frac{r^2+3}{4r}$, and, putting $c_0 = 1$ and $c_h = (4h^2-\varrho) c_{h-1}$ ($h \geq 1$), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \pm \sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - D^2} &= \frac{r(1-\varrho)}{4} \left\{ \frac{3}{\varrho} s - \frac{s^3}{3!} + \frac{2^2-\varrho}{5!} s^5 + \frac{3(4^2-\varrho)(2^2-\varrho)}{7!} s^7 + \dots \right\} \\ &= \frac{r(1-\varrho)}{4} \sum_{h=1}^{\infty} \frac{(2h-5) c_{h-2}}{(2h-1)!} s^{2h-1}. \end{aligned}$$

The right hand side is ≥ 0 , consequently

$$\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - D^2} \geq \frac{3(1-\varrho)}{4r} s \left(1 - \frac{\varrho}{18} s^2 \right)$$

and a fortiori

$$\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - D^2} > \frac{3(1-\varrho)}{4r} s \sqrt{1 - \frac{\varrho}{9} s^2} \dots \dots \dots (17)$$

The relations (9), (14), (15) en (17) give

$$|ra-x| < \frac{2(1-\varrho)^2(1-\frac{1}{9}\varrho)(C-D)_0}{\frac{3(1-\varrho)s}{4r} \sqrt{1-\frac{1}{9}\varrho s^2} + \frac{3(1-\varrho)s}{4r} \sqrt{1-\frac{1}{9}\varrho s^2}}.$$

From $C_0 = 1 + \frac{1}{4} s^2$ and $D_0 = \frac{3}{4} a \sin a + \cos a$ it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} (C-D)_0 &= 1 + \frac{1}{4} \sin^2 a - \frac{3}{4} a \sin a - \cos a \\ &= \sin a \left(\operatorname{tg} \frac{a}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \sin a - \frac{3}{4} a \right). \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$|ra-x| < \frac{2(1-\varrho)^2(1-\frac{1}{9}\varrho)s \left(\operatorname{tg} \frac{a}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \operatorname{tg} a - \frac{3}{4} a \right)}{\frac{2 \cdot 3(1-\varrho)s}{4r} \sqrt{1-\frac{1}{9}\varrho s^2}}.$$

Consequently

$$|ra-x| < \frac{4}{3} r(1-\varrho) \left(\operatorname{tg} \frac{1}{2} a + \frac{1}{4} \sin a - \frac{3}{4} a \right).$$

This establishes the proof of the first theorem. For the proof of the second theorem we put

$$p = \frac{P}{r} + \frac{Q}{r} s^2 \dots \dots \dots (18)$$

Then

$$C = 1 + \frac{1}{2} (p^2 - q^2 - 1) s^2 = 1 + K s^2 + L s^4, \dots \dots (19)$$

where P, Q, K and L are properly chosen functions of r . Formula (8) gives

$$D = \left(\frac{P}{r} + \frac{Q}{r} s^2 \right) s \sin ra + \cos a \cos ra,$$

hence

$$D = (Ps^2 + Qs^4) \sum_{h=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_h s^{2h}}{(2h+1)!} + (1-s^2) \sum_{h=0}^{\infty} \frac{a_h}{(2h)!} s^{2h},$$

where

$a_h = (1^2 - \rho)(3^2 - \rho) \dots ((2h-1)^2 - \rho)$ and $a_0 = 1$, so $a_h = \{(2h-1)^2 - \rho\} a_{h-1}$, consequently

$$\begin{aligned} D &= \sum_0^{\infty} s^{2h} \left\{ \frac{a_h}{(2h)!} - \frac{a_{h-1}}{(2h-2)!} + \frac{P a_{h-1}}{(2h-1)!} + \frac{Q a_{h-2}}{(2h-3)!} \right\} \\ &= \sum_0^{\infty} s^{2h} a_{h-2} \left\{ \frac{(2h-1)^2 - \rho}{(2h)!} \{(2h-3)^2 - \rho\} - \frac{(2h-3)^2 - \rho}{(2h-2)!} + \right. \\ &\qquad \qquad \qquad \left. + \frac{(2h-3)^2 - \rho}{(2h-1)!} P + \frac{Q}{(2h-3)!} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

This gives

$$D = \sum_0^{\infty} \frac{s^{2h} a_{h-2}}{(2h)!} \varphi(h)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(h) &= -\{(2h-1) + \rho\} \{(2h-3)^2 - \rho\} + 2h\{(2h-3)^2 - \rho\} P + \\ &\qquad \qquad \qquad + 2h(2h-1)(2h-2) Q. \end{aligned}$$

The functions P, Q, K and L are chosen such that the expansion of $C-D$ begins with s^8 . By virtue of

$$\begin{aligned} D &= 1 + \frac{s^2}{2!} (-1 - \rho + 2P) + \frac{s^4}{4!} \{- (3 + \rho)(1 - \rho) + 4(1 - \rho)P + 4.3.2.Q\} + \\ &\qquad \qquad \qquad + \frac{s^6(1 - \rho)}{6!} \{- (5 + \rho)(9 - \rho) + 6(9 - \rho)P + 6.5.4.Q\} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

we get in connection with (19)

$$2K = -1 - \rho + 2P; \dots \dots \dots (20)$$

$$24L = - (3 + \rho)(1 - \rho) + 4(1 - \rho)P + 4.3.2.Q; \dots \dots (21)$$

$$- (5 + \rho)(9 - \rho) + 6(9 - \rho)P + 6.5.4.Q = 0. \dots \dots (22)$$

Substitution in (19) of the values of p and $2K$, found respectively in (18) and (20) furnishes

$$q^2 \rho = (P - \rho)^2 + 2s^2(PQ - L\rho) + s^4 Q^2. \dots \dots (23)$$

To simplify we put the right hand side of this equation equal to a perfect square, by choosing

$$PQ - L\rho = (P - \rho) Q, \text{ hence } L = Q.$$

From (21) follows

$$4(1 - \rho)P = (3 + \rho)(1 - \rho), \text{ hence } P = \frac{3 + \rho}{4} \dots \dots (24)$$

Formula (22) gives

$$120 Q = (5 + \varrho)(9 - \varrho) - 6(9 - \varrho) \cdot \frac{3 + \varrho}{4},$$

hence

$$Q = L = \frac{(1 - \varrho)(9 - \varrho)}{240}.$$

By (20) and (24) we obtain

$$K = \frac{1 - \varrho}{4}.$$

Now (23) becomes

$$\varrho q^2 = (P - \varrho + Qs^2)^2 \text{ and } r q = \pm (P - \varrho + Qs^2).$$

The left hand side of the last relation and also both $P - \varrho$ and Qs^2 are positive, so that the plus sign holds good. This gives

$$r q = \frac{1 - \varrho}{240} \{180 + (9 - \varrho)s^2\}$$

and by (18)

$$r p = \frac{3 + \varrho}{4} + \frac{(1 - \varrho)(9 - \varrho)}{240} s^2. \dots \dots \dots (25)$$

In order to obtain an upper bound of the error, we deduce from our lemma that this error is

$$|r\alpha - x| < \frac{2|C - D|}{\sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - C^2} + \sqrt{A^2 + B^2 - D^2}};$$

here

$$C - D = - \sum_{h=4}^{\infty} \frac{s^{2h} a_{h-2}}{(2h)!} \varphi(h)$$

and

$$\varphi(h) = - \{2h - 1 + \varrho\} \{(2h - 3)^2 - \varrho\} + 2h \{(2h - 3)^2 - \varrho\} P + 2h(2h - 1)(2h - 2) Q.$$

Consequently

$$\varphi(h) = - \{2h - 1 + \varrho\} \{(2h - 3)^2 - \varrho\} + 2h \{(2h - 3)^2 - \varrho\} \frac{3 + \varrho}{4} + 2h(2h - 1)(2h - 2) \frac{(1 - \varrho)(9 - \varrho)}{240}.$$

which gives after reduction

$$\varphi(h) = \frac{(1 - \varrho)(h - 3)}{60} \{-102h^2 + 267h - 180 - \varrho(2h^2 + 3h - 20)\},$$

hence

$$C - D = \frac{1 - \varrho}{60} \sum_{h=4}^{\infty} (h - 3) \frac{s^{2h} a_{h-2}}{(2h)!} \{102h^2 - 267h + 180 + \varrho(2h^2 + 3h - 20)\}.$$

In this relation we have for $h \geq 4$

$$a_{h-2} = (1-\varrho) \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\varrho\right) b_{h-2}(\varrho),$$

where $b_{h-2}(\varrho)$ is a polynomial in ϱ , which has in the interval $0 \leq \varrho \leq 1$ its maximum value at the point $\varrho = 0$, therefore

$$0 \leq a_{h-2} \leq (1-\varrho) \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\varrho\right) b_{h-2}(0) = (1-\varrho) \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\varrho\right) a_{h-2}(0).$$

Further

$$102h^2 - 267h + 180 + \varrho(2h^2 + 3h - 20) \leq \left(1 + \frac{1}{3}\varrho\right)(102h^2 - 267h + 180);$$

for this relation is equivalent to the inequality

$$62h^2 + 93h - 620 \leq 102h^2 - 267h + 180,$$

which is evident in virtue of $h^2 - 9h + 20 \geq 0$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} C - D &\leq \\ &\leq \frac{(1-\varrho)^2}{60} \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\varrho\right) \sum_{h=4}^{\infty} (h-3) \frac{s^{2h}}{(2h)!} a_{h-2}(0) \left(1 + \frac{1}{3}\varrho\right) (102h^2 - 267h + 180). \end{aligned}$$

This furnishes

$$C - D \leq (1-\varrho) \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\varrho\right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{3}\varrho\right) (C - D)_0. \quad \dots \quad (26)$$

From (7), (8) and (25) we deduce

$$D = \frac{3 + \varrho}{4r} \sin a \sin r a + \frac{(1-\varrho)(9-\varrho)}{240r} \sin^3 a \sin r a + \cos a \cos r a,$$

hence

$$D_0 = \frac{3}{4} a \sin a + \frac{3}{80} a \sin^3 a + \cos a.$$

Further

$$C_0 = 1 + \frac{1}{4} s^2 + \frac{3}{80} s^4,$$

hence

$$(C - D)_0 = 1 + \frac{1}{4} s^2 + \frac{3}{80} s^4 - \frac{3}{4} a s - \frac{3}{80} a s^3 - \cos a,$$

consequently

$$(C - D)_0 = \sin a \left(\operatorname{tg} \frac{1}{2} a + \frac{1}{4} \sin a + \frac{3}{80} \sin^3 a - \frac{3}{80} a \sin^2 a - \frac{3}{4} a\right). \quad (27)$$

Further

$$\begin{aligned} A^2 + B^2 - C^2 &= p^2 \sin^2 a + \cos^2 a - (1 + K \sin^2 a + L \sin^4 a)^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{P}{r} + \frac{Qs^2}{r}\right)^2 s^2 + 1 - s^2 - (1 + K^2 s^4 + L^2 s^8 + 2Ks^2 + 2Ls^4 + 2KLs^6), \end{aligned}$$

where $Q = L$, hence

$$\begin{aligned} A^2 + B^2 - C^2 &= \frac{P^2}{\varrho} s^2 + \frac{2PQ}{\varrho} s^4 + \frac{Q^2}{\varrho} s^6 + \\ &\quad + 1 - s^2 - 1 - K^2 s^4 - Q^2 s^8 - 2Ks^2 - 2Qs^4 - 2KQs^6 \\ &= s^2 \left\{ \frac{P^2}{\varrho} - 1 - 2K + s^2 \left(\frac{2PQ}{\varrho} - K^2 - 2Q \right) + s^4 \left(\frac{Q^2}{\varrho} - 2QK \right) - Q^2 s^6 \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Substitution of the values of P, Q and K gives

$$\sqrt{A^2+B^2-C^2} = \frac{1-\varrho}{4} s \sqrt{\left\{ \frac{9}{\varrho} + \frac{9-11\varrho}{10\varrho} s^2 + \frac{(9-\varrho)(9-121\varrho)}{3600\varrho} s^4 - \frac{(9-\varrho)^2}{3600} s^6 \right\}}.$$

In order to deduce from this relation the inequality

$$\sqrt{A^2+B^2-C^2} \cong \frac{1-\varrho}{4} \frac{3s}{\sqrt{\varrho}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{9}\varrho\right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{31}\varrho\right), \dots \quad (28)$$

we remark that this inequality is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{9}{\varrho} + \frac{9-11\varrho}{10\varrho} s^2 + \frac{(9-\varrho)(9-121\varrho)}{3600\varrho} s^4 - \frac{(9-\varrho)^2}{3600} s^6 \\ \cong \frac{9}{\varrho} \left(1 - \frac{2}{9}\varrho + \frac{1}{81}\varrho^2\right) \left(1 + \frac{2}{31}\varrho + \frac{1}{31^2}\varrho^2\right) \end{aligned}$$

and therefore equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{81}{3600} s^4 + \frac{9}{10} s^2\right) \frac{1}{\varrho} + \left(\frac{44}{31} - \frac{11}{10} s^2 - \frac{1098}{3600} s^4 - \frac{81}{3600} s^6\right) \\ + \left(\frac{121}{3600} s^4 + \frac{18}{3600} s^6 + \frac{74}{9.961}\right) \varrho - \left(\frac{1}{3600} s^6 + \frac{44}{9.961}\right) \varrho^2 - \frac{1}{9.961} \varrho^3 \cong 0. \end{aligned}$$

To prove this inequality it is sufficient to consider the most unfavourable case, viz. $s = 1$; in this case the inequality becomes

$$\frac{369}{400} \frac{1}{\varrho} - \frac{101}{12400} + \frac{163179}{961.3600} \varrho - \frac{18561}{961.3600} \varrho^2 - \frac{1}{9.961} \varrho^3 \cong 0,$$

which is true for every value of ϱ between 0 and 1.

By substituting in (16) the value of p found in (25) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{A^2+B^2-D^2} = \frac{3(1-\varrho)}{4r} s + \frac{(9-11\varrho)(1-\varrho)}{240r} s^3 - \frac{r(1-\varrho)}{4 \cdot 4!} s^5 \dots \\ + \sum_{n=4}^{\infty} \frac{r(2^2-\varrho)\dots((2n-6)^2-\varrho)(1-\varrho)(2n-7) \{102n^2-369n+339+(n-3)(2n+7)\varrho\} s^{2n-1}}{120(2n-1)!}. \end{aligned}$$

This gives

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \sqrt{A^2+B^2-D^2} \cong \frac{3(1-\varrho)}{4r} s + \frac{(9-11\varrho)(1-\varrho)}{240r} s^3 - \\ - \frac{r(1-\varrho)}{4 \cdot 4!} s^5 \cong \frac{1-\varrho}{4} \frac{3s}{\sqrt{\varrho}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{9}\varrho\right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{31}\varrho\right). \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (29)$$

In fact this relation becomes after reduction

$$\frac{1}{20} s^2 + \frac{2^2}{2^2 \cdot 7^2} \varrho - \frac{1}{1^2 \cdot 8^2} \varrho s^2 + \frac{1}{2^2 \cdot 7^2} \varrho^2 - \frac{1}{7^2} \varrho s^4 \cong 0,$$

that is

$$\frac{1}{2} s^2 + \rho \left(\frac{2}{3} \frac{s^2}{\rho} - \frac{1}{8} \frac{1}{\rho} s^2 - \frac{1}{7} s^2 \right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\rho} \rho^2 \geq 0$$

and this inequality holds because for $0 \leq s \leq 1$ the factor of ρ is at least equal to

$$\frac{2}{3} \frac{s^2}{\rho} - \frac{1}{8} \frac{1}{\rho} - \frac{1}{7} > 0.$$

Now by virtue of (26), (27), (28) and (29) the relation (9) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} |r\alpha - x| &< \\ &< \frac{2(1-\rho)(1-\frac{1}{9}\rho)(1+\frac{1}{3}\rho) \sin \alpha (\operatorname{tg} \frac{1}{2} \alpha + \frac{1}{4} \sin \alpha + \frac{3}{8} \sin^3 \alpha - \frac{3}{8} \alpha \sin^2 \alpha - \frac{3}{4} \alpha)}{2 \frac{1-\rho}{4} \frac{3s}{\sqrt{\rho}} (1-\frac{1}{9}\rho)(1+\frac{1}{3}\rho)} \end{aligned}$$

which gives after reduction

$$|r\alpha - x| < \frac{1}{3} r (\operatorname{tg} \frac{1}{2} \alpha + \frac{1}{4} \sin \alpha + \frac{3}{8} \sin^3 \alpha - \frac{3}{8} \alpha \sin^2 \alpha - \frac{3}{4} \alpha).$$

This becomes in the special case $r = \frac{1}{3}$

$$|r\alpha - x| < \frac{1}{3} (\operatorname{tg} \frac{1}{2} \alpha + \frac{1}{4} \sin \alpha + \frac{3}{8} \sin^3 \alpha - \frac{3}{8} \alpha \sin^2 \alpha - \frac{3}{4} \alpha).$$

This establishes the proof of the second theorem.