

# Behaviour of $L_q$ norms of the $\text{sinc}_p$ function

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## Abstract

An integral inequality due to Ball involves the  $L_q$  norm of the  $\text{sinc}_p$  function; the dependence of this norm on  $q$  as  $q \rightarrow \infty$  is now understood. By use of recent inequalities involving  $p$ -trigonometric functions ( $1 < p < \infty$ ) we obtain asymptotic information about the analogue of Ball's integral when  $\sin$  is replaced by  $\sin_p$ .

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## 1 Introduction

In [1], K. Ball proved that every section of the unit cube in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  by an  $(n - 1)$ -dimensional subspace has  $(n - 1)$ -volume at most  $\sqrt{2}$ , which is attained if and only if this section contains an  $(n - 2)$ -dimensional face of the cube. To show this, Ball made essential use of the inequality

$$\sqrt{q} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\sin x}{x} \right|^q dx \leq \sqrt{2} \pi, \quad q \geq 2,$$

in which equality holds if and only if  $q = 2$ .

It is now known (see [3]) that

$$(1) \quad \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{q} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\sin x}{x} \right|^q dx = \sqrt{\frac{3\pi}{2}}.$$

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Moreover, the asymptotic properties of the  $q$ -norm of the sinc function were studied. In fact, more precise results of an asymptotic nature of the integral in Ball's integral inequality are now known (see [8] for more details).

Stimulated by applications to such differential operators as the  $p$ -Laplacian, there is now a large amount of recent work concerning generalisations of the sine function (and other trigonometric functions): see, for example, [5]. This encourages us to look for an extension of (1) to a more general setting. With this in mind, for  $q \in (1, \infty)$ , define

$$I_p(q) := q^{1/p} \int_0^\infty \left| \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right|^q dx$$

where  $p \in (1, \infty)$  and  $\sin_p$  is the generalised sine function. This function is defined to be the inverse of the function  $F_p : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, \frac{\pi_p}{2}]$  given by

$$(2) \quad F_p(y) := \int_0^y (1-t^p)^{-\frac{1}{p}} dt,$$

where  $\pi_p := 2F_p(1) = \frac{2\pi}{p \sin(\frac{\pi}{p})}$ ; it is increasing on  $[0, \frac{\pi_p}{2}]$  and is extended to the whole of  $\mathbb{R}$  to be a  $2\pi_p$ -periodic function (still denoted by  $\sin_p$ ) by means of the rules

$$(3) \quad \sin_p(-x) = -\sin_p(x) \quad \text{and} \quad \sin_p\left(\frac{\pi_p}{2} - x\right) = \sin_p\left(\frac{\pi_p}{2} + x\right).$$

The choice  $p = 2$  corresponds to the standard trigonometric setting:  $\sin_2 \equiv \sin$ ,  $\pi_2 = \pi$ . Moreover,  $\pi_p$  is a decreasing function in  $p \in (1, \infty)$  such that

$$(4) \quad \begin{cases} \pi_p \rightarrow \infty & \text{when } p \rightarrow 1^+ \\ \pi_p \rightarrow 2 & \text{when } p \rightarrow \infty. \end{cases}$$

The main purpose of this paper is to show that for each  $p \in (1, \infty)$  there is an analogue of (1), namely

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} q^{1/p} \int_0^\infty \left| \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right|^q dx = p^{-1} (p(p+1))^{1/p} \Gamma(1/p).$$

This is achieved by appropriate use of certain recently-obtained inequalities concerning  $\sin_p$ . Moreover, information is obtained about the asymptotic behaviour of the above integral as  $q \rightarrow \infty$ ; this complements that known when  $p = 2$ .

## 2 Properties of the $\text{sinc}_p$ function

Given  $p \in (1, \infty)$ , the function  $\text{sinc}_p$  is defined by

$$\text{sinc}_p x = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin_p x}{x}, & x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}, \\ 1, & x = 0. \end{cases}$$

It is even and its roots are the points  $n\pi_p$  with  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ . Since  $|\sin_p x| \leq 1$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} \text{sinc}_p x = 0$ .

**Lemma 2.1.** (a)  $|\operatorname{sinc}_p x| \leq 1$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

(b) The function  $\operatorname{sinc}_p$  is strictly decreasing on the interval  $(0, \frac{\pi_p}{2})$ .

*Proof.* (a) Observe that for  $x \in (0, \frac{\pi_p}{2}]$  we have the  $p$ -analogue of the classical Jordan inequality [4, Proposition 2.3],

$$(5) \quad \frac{2}{\pi_p} \leq \operatorname{sinc}_p x < 1 \quad \forall x \in \left(0, \frac{\pi_p}{2}\right].$$

On the other hand, for  $x \in (\frac{\pi_p}{2}, \infty)$  and since  $\pi_p \in (2, \infty)$  for all  $p \in (1, \infty)$  we conclude that

$$|\operatorname{sinc}_p x| = \left| \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right| \leq \frac{1}{|x|} < 1.$$

Since  $\operatorname{sinc}_p$  is an even function, (a) is complete.

(b) Observe that

$$\frac{d}{dx} \operatorname{sinc}_p x = \frac{\cos_p x}{x^2} (x - \tan_p x)$$

and  $\cos_p x > 0$  for any  $x \in (0, \frac{\pi_p}{2})$ . Let  $g(x) = x - \tan_p x$ . Then,  $g'(x) = -\tan_p^p x < 0$  for all  $x \in (0, \frac{\pi_p}{2})$  and we conclude that  $g(x)$  is strictly decreasing in this interval. Then  $g(x) < g(0) = 0$  for  $x \in (0, \frac{\pi_p}{2})$ . The result follows.  $\square$

### 3 The $p$ -version of Ball's integral inequality

For  $p, q \in (1, \infty)$  define

$$I_p(q) := q^{1/p} \int_0^\infty \left| \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right|^q dx.$$

Here we establish the existence of  $\lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} I_p(q)$ . We use Laplace's method for integrals which suggests approximating the integrand in a neighbourhood by simpler functions for which the integral can be evaluated after proving that the integral on the complementing interval is very small when  $q$  is large enough.

**Lemma 3.1.** Let  $p, q \in (1, \infty)$ . For any real  $\alpha > 0$ , we have

$$\int_\alpha^\infty \left| \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right|^q dx \leq \begin{cases} \frac{1}{q-1} \alpha^{1-q} & \text{for } \alpha \geq 1, \\ \left( \frac{\sin_p \alpha}{\alpha} \right)^q (1-\alpha) + \frac{1}{q-1} & \text{for } \alpha < 1. \end{cases}$$

Moreover,

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} q^{1/p} \int_\alpha^\infty \left| \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right|^q dx = 0, \quad \forall \alpha > 0.$$

*Proof.* We first discuss the case  $\alpha \in [1, \infty)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\alpha}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right|^q dx &= \lim_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \left| \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right|^q dx \\ &\leq \lim_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} x^{-q} dx \\ &= \lim_{\beta \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{1-q} \left[ \frac{1}{\beta^{q-1}} - \frac{1}{\alpha^{q-1}} \right] = \frac{1}{q-1} \alpha^{1-q}. \end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} q^{1/p} \int_{\alpha}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right|^q dx \leq \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} \frac{q^{1/p}}{(q-1)\alpha^{q-1}} = 0.$$

For  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ , we have

$$\int_{\alpha}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right|^q dx = \int_{\alpha}^1 \left| \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right|^q dx + \int_1^{\infty} \left| \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right|^q dx.$$

From the previous case we have,

$$q^{1/p} \int_1^{\infty} \left| \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right|^q dx \leq \frac{q^{1/p}}{q-1},$$

which approaches zero as  $q \rightarrow \infty$ .

For the remaining integral, the corresponding interval  $(\alpha, 1)$  is a subset of  $(0, \frac{\pi_p}{2})$  since  $\pi_p \in (2, \infty)$ . According to Lemma 2.1,

$$0 < \frac{\sin_p x}{x} < \frac{\sin_p \alpha}{\alpha} < 1, \quad \forall x \in (\alpha, 1).$$

Then,

$$\int_{\alpha}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right|^q dx < \left( \frac{\sin_p \alpha}{\alpha} \right)^q (1-\alpha) + \frac{1}{q-1}.$$

Using Lemma 2.1 (a), we conclude that

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} q^{1/p} \int_{\alpha}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right|^q dx \leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} q^{1/p} \left[ \left( \frac{\sin_p \alpha}{\alpha} \right)^q (1-\alpha) + \frac{1}{q-1} \right] = 0.$$

□

Our main result is the following theorem:

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $p, q \in (1, \infty)$ . Then*

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} I_p(q) = \frac{1}{p} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{p}\right) (p(p+1))^{1/p}.$$

*Proof.* From [6, 3.251, p. 324], for  $\mu > 0$ ,  $\nu > 0$ ,  $\lambda > 0$  we have

$$(6) \quad \int_0^1 x^{\mu-1}(1-x^\lambda)^{\nu-1} dx = \frac{1}{\lambda} B\left(\frac{\mu}{\lambda}, \nu\right).$$

From [2, Theorem 1.1 (1) ], for  $0 < x < \left(1 - \left(\frac{2}{\pi_p}\right)^{p(p+1)}\right)^{1/p}$  we have

$$(7) \quad \frac{x}{\sin_p^{-1} x} > (1 - x^p)^{\frac{1}{p(p+1)}}.$$

Note that for all  $p \in (1, \infty)$  we have

$$0 < \left(1 - \left(\frac{2}{\pi_p}\right)^{p(p+1)}\right)^{1/p} < 1.$$

Let

$$\alpha_1 := \sin_p^{-1} \left(1 - \left(\frac{2}{\pi_p}\right)^{p(p+1)}\right)^{1/p} \in \left(0, \frac{\pi_p}{2}\right).$$

Changing the variable to  $y = \sin_p x$  and using the inequality in (7) we see that

$$\begin{aligned} q^{1/p} \int_0^\infty \left| \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right|^q dx &> q^{1/p} \int_0^{\alpha_1} \left( \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right)^q dx \\ &= q^{1/p} \int_0^{\sin_p \alpha_1} \left( \frac{y}{\sin_p^{-1} y} \right)^q (1 - y^p)^{-1/p} dy \\ &> q^{1/p} \int_0^{\sin_p \alpha_1} (1 - y^p)^{\frac{q}{p(p+1)}} (1 - y^p)^{-1/p} dy \\ &= q^{1/p} \left( \int_0^1 - \int_{\sin_p \alpha_1}^1 (1 - y^p)^{\frac{q}{p(p+1)}} (1 - y^p)^{-1/p} dy \right) \\ &=: J_1(p, q) - J_2(p, q). \end{aligned}$$

From (6) with  $\mu = 1$ ,  $\lambda = p$  and  $\nu = \frac{q}{p(p+1)} - \frac{1}{p} + 1$  we get

$$(8) \quad \begin{aligned} \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} J_1(p, q) &= \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} q^{1/p} \frac{1}{p} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{p}\right) \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{q}{p(p+1)} - \frac{1}{p} + 1\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{q}{p(p+1)} + 1\right)} \\ &= \frac{1}{p} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{p}\right) (p(p+1))^{1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

The last equality is due to the fact that

$$(9) \quad \frac{\Gamma(q+a)}{\Gamma(q+b)} \sim q^{a-b} \quad \text{as } q \rightarrow \infty,$$

which follows from Stirling's formula: see also [7, Problem 2, p.45].  
Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} J_2(p, q) &= \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} q^{1/p} \int_{\sin_p \alpha_1}^1 (1-y^p)^{\frac{q}{p(p+1)}} (1-y^p)^{-1/p} dy \\
&\leq \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} q^{1/p} (1 - \sin_p^p \alpha_1)^{\frac{q}{p(p+1)}} \int_{\sin_p \alpha_1}^1 (1-y^p)^{-1/p} dy \\
&\leq \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} q^{1/p} (1 - \sin_p^p \alpha_1)^{\frac{q}{p(p+1)}} \int_0^1 (1-y^p)^{-1/p} dy \\
(10) \quad &= \frac{\pi_p}{2} \lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} q^{1/p} (1 - \sin_p^p \alpha_1)^{\frac{q}{p(p+1)}} = 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Then from (8) and (10),

$$(11) \quad \liminf_{q \rightarrow \infty} q^{1/p} \int_0^\infty \left| \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right|^q dx \geq \frac{1}{p} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{p}\right) (p(p+1))^{1/p}.$$

On the other hand, from [6, 3.251, p.325], for  $0 < \mu < p\nu$ ,  $b > 0$  and  $p > 0$  we have

$$(12) \quad \int_0^\infty x^{\mu-1} (1+bx^p)^{-\nu} dx = \frac{1}{p} b^{-\mu/p} B\left(\frac{\mu}{p}, \nu - \frac{\mu}{p}\right).$$

From [2, Theorem 1.1 (1)], for  $x \in (0, 1)$  we have

$$(13) \quad \frac{x}{\sin_p^{-1} x} < \left(1 + \frac{x^p}{p(p+1)}\right)^{-1}.$$

Now let  $\alpha_2 \in (0, \pi_p/2]$ . Changing the variable to  $y = \sin_p x$  and using the inequality in (13) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^{\alpha_2} \left(\frac{\sin_p x}{x}\right)^q dx &= \int_0^{\sin_p \alpha_2} \left(\frac{y}{\sin_p^{-1} y}\right)^q (1-y^p)^{-1/p} dy \\
&< \int_0^{\sin_p \alpha_2} \left(1 + \frac{y^p}{p(p+1)}\right)^{-q} (1-y^p)^{-1/p} dy \\
&< (1 - \sin_p^p \alpha_2)^{-1/p} \int_0^{\sin_p \alpha_2} \left(1 + \frac{y^p}{p(p+1)}\right)^{-q} dy \\
(14) \quad &=: (1 - \sin_p^p \alpha_2)^{-1/p} J_3(p, q).
\end{aligned}$$

From (12), with  $\mu = 1$ ,  $b = (p(p+1))^{-1}$  and  $\nu = q \in (1/p, \infty)$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
J_3(p, q) &< \frac{1}{p} (p(p+1))^{1/p} B\left(\frac{1}{p}, q - \frac{1}{p}\right) \\
(15) \quad &= \frac{1}{p} (p(p+1))^{1/p} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{p}\right) \frac{\Gamma\left(q - \frac{1}{p}\right)}{\Gamma(q)}.
\end{aligned}$$

With the help of (9) it follows that

$$\limsup_{q \rightarrow \infty} q^{1/p} \int_0^{\alpha_2} \left| \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right|^q dx \leq (1 - \sin_p^p \alpha_2)^{-1/p} \frac{1}{p} (p(p+1))^{1/p} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{p}\right).$$

Letting  $\alpha_2 \rightarrow 0^+$  we conclude that,

$$\limsup_{q \rightarrow \infty} q^{1/p} \int_0^{\alpha_2} \left( \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right)^q dx \leq \frac{1}{p} (p(p+1))^{1/p} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{p}\right).$$

From Lemma 3.1 we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{q \rightarrow \infty} q^{1/p} \int_0^\infty \left| \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right|^q dx &= \limsup_{q \rightarrow \infty} q^{1/p} \left( \int_0^{\alpha_2} + \int_{\alpha_2}^\infty \left| \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right|^q dx \right) \\ (16) \qquad \qquad \qquad &\leq \frac{1}{p} (p(p+1))^{1/p} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{p}\right). \end{aligned}$$

From (11) and (16) we deduce that

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} I_p(q) = \frac{1}{p} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{p}\right) (p(p+1))^{1/p}.$$

□

## 4 Asymptotic Expansion

Here we investigate the asymptotic expansion of the  $p$ -Ball integral  $I_p(q)$  by performing explicit calculations leading to a precise knowledge of the first two coefficients of the expansion. The study involved provides another proof of Theorem 3.1; the technique used is an adaptation of that developed in [8].

**Theorem 4.1.** *There exist constants  $\gamma_3, \gamma_4, \dots$  such that for  $q$  large enough*

$$I_p(q) \sim (p(p+1))^{1/p} \left( \frac{1}{p} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{p}\right) + \frac{1}{p} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{p}\right) \frac{(-p^2 + p + 1)(p+1)}{2p(2p+1)} \frac{1}{q} + \sum_{j=3}^{\infty} \Gamma(j+1/p) \frac{\gamma_j}{q^j} \right).$$

*Proof.* For  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ , let

$$\begin{aligned} J(q, \alpha) &:= q^{1/p} \int_0^\alpha \left( \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right)^q dx \\ &= q^{1/p} \int_0^\alpha \exp\left(\frac{-qx^p}{p(p+1)}\right) \left[ \exp\left(\frac{x^p}{p(p+1)}\right) \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right]^q dx. \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 3.1,

$$q^{1/p} \int_\alpha^\infty \left| \frac{\sin_p x}{x} \right|^q dx \leq q^{1/p} \left( \frac{\sin_p \alpha}{\alpha} \right)^q (1 - \alpha) + \frac{q^{1/p}}{q-1}.$$

It is therefore enough to establish the existence of constants  $\gamma_3, \gamma_4, \dots$  such that

$$J(q, \alpha) \sim (p(p+1))^{1/p} \left( \frac{1}{p} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{p}\right) + \frac{1}{p} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{p}\right) \frac{(-p^2+p+1)(p+1)}{2p(2p+1)} \frac{1}{q} + \sum_{j=3}^{\infty} \Gamma(j+1/p) \frac{\gamma_j}{q^j} \right).$$

Changing the variable to  $u = \frac{x}{(p(p+1))^{1/p}}$  yields

$$J(q, \alpha) = q^{1/p} (p(p+1))^{1/p} \int_0^{\frac{\alpha}{(p(p+1))^{1/p}}} \exp(-qu^p) \left[ \exp(u^p) \frac{\sin_p((p(p+1))^{1/p} u)}{(p(p+1))^{1/p} u} \right]^q du.$$

For the exponential term we have

$$\exp(u^p) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{u^{pj}}{j!}.$$

While for  $\frac{\sin_p((p(p+1))^{1/p} u)}{(p(p+1))^{1/p} u}$ , we have from [4, (2.17)] the power series expansion of  $\sin_p^{-1} x$ , and by the Lagrange reversion theorem this gives the existence of constants  $a_j$  such that

$$\frac{\sin_p((p(p+1))^{1/p} u)}{(p(p+1))^{1/p} u} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j (p(p+1))^j u^{pj};$$

the series converges for sufficiently small  $u$ . The coefficients of the first three terms of this expansion involve  $a_0 = 1$ ,  $a_1 = \frac{-1}{p(p+1)}$  and  $a_2 = \frac{-p^2+2p+1}{2p^2(p+1)(2p+1)}$ . The Cauchy product formula then gives,

$$\exp(u^p) \frac{\sin_p((p(p+1))^{1/p} u)}{(p(p+1))^{1/p} u} = 1 + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} b_j u^{pj},$$

where

$$b_j = \sum_{l=0}^j \frac{a_{j-l} (p(p+1))^{j-l}}{l!}$$

and the power series converges for sufficiently small  $u$ .

We know that for small values of  $u$ ,

$$\left| \exp(u^p) \frac{\sin_p((p(p+1))^{1/p} u)}{(p(p+1))^{1/p} u} - 1 \right| = \left| \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} b_j u^{pj} \right| \leq \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} |b_j| u^{pj} < 1.$$

Note that the power series  $\sum_{j=2}^{\infty} b_j u^{pj}$  is absolutely convergent for sufficiently small  $u$ .

Therefore by the Binomial expansion we get

$$\begin{aligned} \left[ \exp(u^p) \frac{\sin_p((p(p+1))^{1/p} u)}{(p(p+1))^{1/p} u} \right]^q &= 1 + q \left[ \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} b_j u^{pj} \right] + \frac{q(q-1)}{2} \left[ \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} b_j u^{pj} \right]^2 \\ &+ \dots + \frac{q(q-1)\dots(q-m+1)}{m!} \left[ \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} b_j u^{pj} \right]^m + \dots \end{aligned}$$



Since the right hand side of the Binomial expansion is bounded from above by

$$1 + q \left[ \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} |b_j| u^{pj} \right] + \frac{q(q-1)}{2} \left[ \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} |b_j| u^{pj} \right]^2 + \dots + \frac{q(q-1)\dots(q-m+1)}{m!} \left[ \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} |b_j| u^{pj} \right]^m + \dots = \left[ 1 + \sum_{j=2}^{\infty} |b_j| u^{pj} \right]^q,$$

we may rearrange terms and, for small enough  $u$ , obtain (17). Hence,

$$(17) \quad \left[ \exp(u^p) \frac{\sin_p((p(p+1))^{1/p} u)}{(p(p+1))^{1/p} u} \right]^q = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} c_j u^{pj},$$

where  $c_0 = 1$ ,  $c_1 = 0$  and  $c_2 = q b_2 = \frac{qp(-p^2+p+1)}{2(2p+1)}$ . Observe that the other coefficients  $c_j = c_j(q)$  ( $j \geq 3$ ) can be obtained by the following rearrangements:

$$q b_3 u^{3p} = c_3 u^{3p}, \quad \left( q b_4 + \frac{q(q-1)}{2} b_2^2 \right) u^{4p} = c_4 u^{4p}, \dots$$

Specialised to our case, [9, Theorem 8.1, p. 86] (with  $x = q$ ,  $p(t) = u^p$ ,  $q(t) = \exp(u^p) \frac{\sin_p((p(p+1))^{1/p} u)}{(p(p+1))^{1/p} u}$ ,  $s = pj$ ,  $\lambda = 1$  and  $\mu = p$ ) establishes the existence of real constants  $\gamma_0, \gamma_1, \dots$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} J(q, \alpha) &\sim q^{1/p} (p(p+1))^{1/p} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \Gamma(j+1/p) \frac{\gamma_j}{q^{j+1/p}} \\ &= (p(p+1))^{1/p} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \Gamma(j+1/p) \frac{\gamma_j}{q^j}, \quad (q \rightarrow \infty) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\gamma_0 = \frac{1}{p}, \quad \gamma_1 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma_2 = \frac{q(-p^2+p+1)}{2(2p+1)}.$$

□

**Remark 4.1.** *The asymptotic expansion in Theorem 4.1 complements that of [8] when  $p = 2$ ; it involves the coefficients  $b_j$  of the expansion of  $\exp(u^p) \frac{\sin_p((p(p+1))^{1/p} u)}{(p(p+1))^{1/p} u}$  which depend on the constants  $a_j$  of the power series of the function  $\text{sinc}_p$ . So far the first three terms in the expansion of  $\text{sinc}_p$  are known and no regular pattern has been obtained for the other subsequent terms. It remains to see whether or not higher-order terms in the expansion of  $I_p(q)$  can be determined.*

## 5 Concluding remarks

In this section we present some results obtained from Theorem 3.1. The proofs are natural adaptations of those given in [3] and are therefore omitted.

For  $q \in (1, \infty)$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ , define

$$\varphi_p(n, q) := \int_0^\infty \left( \ln \left| \frac{\operatorname{sinc}_p x}{x} \right| \right)^n \left| \frac{\operatorname{sinc}_p x}{x} \right|^q dx.$$

Note that  $\varphi_p(0, q) := \varphi_p(q) = I_p(q)$ .

A more general result of  $p$ -Ball integral inequality can also be achieved by induction for any non-negative integer  $n$ .

**Lemma 5.1.** *For  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$  and  $p \in (1, \infty)$ . Then*

$$\lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} q^{n + \frac{1}{p}} \varphi_p(n, q) = (-1)^n \frac{1}{p} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{p}\right) (p(p+1))^{1/p} \Gamma\left(n + \frac{1}{p}\right).$$

The following gives the analyticity of the function  $\varphi_p(q)$  in a region containing  $(1, \infty)$ . The proof makes use of the  $L_q$ -Lebesgue integrability of the  $\operatorname{sinc}_p$  functions when  $p, q \in (1, \infty)$ .

**Corollary 5.1.** *Let  $q \in (1, \infty)$ . For  $1 - q < z < q - 1$ ,*

$$\varphi_p(q - z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \varphi_p(n, q) \frac{z^n}{n!},$$

where  $\varphi_p^{(n)}(q) = \varphi_p(n, q)$ .

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