

SI Sine Integral

SI.1 Introduction

Let x be a complex variable of $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{\infty\}$. The function Sine Integral (noted Si) is defined by the following third order differential equation

$$(SI.1.1) \quad x \frac{\partial y(x)}{\partial x} + 2 \frac{\partial^2 y(x)}{\partial x^2} + x \frac{\partial^3 y(x)}{\partial x^3} = 0.$$

Although 0 is a singularity of SI.1.1, the initial conditions can be given by

$$(SI.1.2) \quad \frac{\partial \frac{Si(x)}{x}}{\partial x} = 1.$$

Related function: Cosine Integral

SI.2 Series and asymptotic expansions

SI.2.1 Asymptotic expansion at 0.

SI.2.1.1 *First terms.*

$$(SI.2.1.1.1) \quad Si(x) \approx x \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{18} + \frac{x^4}{600} - \frac{x^6}{35280} + \frac{x^8}{3265920} - \frac{x^{10}}{439084800} + \frac{x^{12}}{80951270400} - \frac{x^{14}}{19615115520000} \cdots \right).$$

SI.2.1.2 *General form.*

$$(SI.2.1.2.1) \quad Si(x) \approx x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u(n)x^n.$$

The coefficients $u(n)$ satisfy the recurrence

$$(SI.2.1.2.2) \quad u(n)(n+1)(-1-n+(n+1)^2) + u(n-2)(-1+n) = 0.$$

Initial conditions of SI.2.1.2.2 are given by

$$(SI.2.1.2.3) \quad \begin{aligned} u(1) &= 0, \\ u(0) &= 1, \\ u(2) &= -\frac{1}{18}. \end{aligned}$$

The recurrence SI.2.1.2.2 has the closed form solution

$$(SI.2.1.2.4) \quad u(2n+1) = 0, \\ u(2n) = \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)\Gamma(2n+2)}.$$

SI.2.2 Asymptotic expansion at ∞ .

SI.2.2.1 First terms.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Si}(x) \approx \text{ser} \left[1, 1, \left[\left[0, \left[\left[0, \frac{\pi}{2} \right] \right] \right] \right] \right] + e \left(-\frac{\text{RootOf}_{\xi,2}(1+\xi^2)}{x} \right) xy_1(x) + \\ e \left(-\frac{\text{RootOf}_{\xi,1}(1+\xi^2)}{x} \right) xy_2(x), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} y_0(x) &= \text{terms} \left[1, 1, \left[\left[0, \left[\left[0, \frac{\pi}{2} \right] \right] \right] \right] \right] + \dots \\ y_1(x) &= -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\text{RootOf}_{\xi,2}(1+\xi^2)x}{2} - \\ &\quad - \left(-\frac{1}{4} - \frac{5 \text{RootOf}_{\xi,2}(1+\xi^2)^2}{4} \right) x^2 - \left(-\text{RootOf}_{\xi,2}(1+\xi^2) + \right. \\ &\quad \left. 4 \text{RootOf}_{\xi,2}(1+\xi^2) \left(-\frac{1}{4} - \frac{5 \text{RootOf}_{\xi,2}(1+\xi^2)^2}{4} \right) \right) x^3 + 2 \dots \\ y_2(x) &= -\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\text{RootOf}_{\xi,1}(1+\xi^2)x}{2} - \\ &\quad - \left(-\frac{1}{4} - \frac{5 \text{RootOf}_{\xi,1}(1+\xi^2)^2}{4} \right) x^2 - \left(-\text{RootOf}_{\xi,1}(1+\xi^2) + \right. \\ &\quad \left. 4 \text{RootOf}_{\xi,1}(1+\xi^2) \left(-\frac{1}{4} - \frac{5 \text{RootOf}_{\xi,1}(1+\xi^2)^2}{4} \right) \right) x^3 + 2 \dots \end{aligned}$$

SI.2.2.2 General form.

SI.2.2.2.1 Auxiliary function $y_0(x)$. The auxiliary function $y_0(x)$ has the exact form

$$y_0(x) = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

SI.2.2.2.2 Auxiliary function $y_1(x)$. The coefficients $u(n)$ of $y_1(x)$ satisfy the following recurrence

$$\begin{aligned} 2u(n)n + u(-1+n) \left(-2 \text{RootOf}_{\xi,2}(1+\xi^2) - \right. \\ \left. 5 \text{RootOf}_{\xi,2}(1+\xi^2)(-1+n) - 3(-1+n)^2 \text{RootOf}_{\xi,2}(1+\xi^2) \right) + \\ u(n-2) \left(8 - 5n - 4(n-2)^2 - (n-2)^3 \right) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

whose initial conditions are given by

$$\begin{aligned} u(1) &= \frac{-\text{RootOf}_{\xi,2}(1+\xi^2)}{2} \\ u(0) &= -\frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

SI.2.2.2.3 Auxiliary function $y_2(x)$. The coefficients $u(n)$ of $y_2(x)$ satisfy the following recurrence

$$2u(n)n + u(-1+n) \left(-2 \operatorname{RootOf}_{\xi,1}(1+\xi^2) - 5 \operatorname{RootOf}_{\xi,1}(1+\xi^2)(-1+n) - 3(-1+n)^2 \operatorname{RootOf}_{\xi,1}(1+\xi^2) \right) + u(n-2)(8-5n-4(n-2)^2-(n-2)^3) = 0$$

whose initial conditions are given by

$$u(0) = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$u(1) = \frac{-\operatorname{RootOf}_{\xi,1}(1+\xi^2)}{2}$$