


Correction to: Representation of light pressure resultant force and moment as a tensor series

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In the paper [Nerovny et al. \(2017\)](#), the commentaries about a convergence of series which represent the absolute value function and corresponding equations contain several mistakes (Sect. 2, from Eqs. (4) to (6)).

The series Eq. (3)

$$|\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{s}}| = |x| = \frac{2}{\pi} - \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n T_{2n}(x)}{-1 + 4n^2}$$

of Chebyshev polynomials of the first kind for $|\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{s}}| = |x| \leq 1$ is absolutely convergent. If we define $x = \cos y$, then $T_{2n} = \cos 2ny$, $|T_{2n}| \leq 1$, and we get the ordinary Fourier series

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which is majorizable by the following convergent series:

$$\frac{2}{\pi} - \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{-1 + 4n^2}.$$

Additionally, for any x the original series is an alternating Leibniz series. Its partial sum differs from $|x|$ less or equal than the absolute value of the first neglected term.

These are the steps to produce a power series of absolute value function from Eq. (3):

$$\begin{aligned} |\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{s}}| &= - \lim_{N_{\max} \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{N_{\max}} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \frac{(-1)^n (-1)^k n(2n - k - 1)!}{(-1 + 4n^2)k!(2n - 2k)!} 4^{n-k} (\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{s}})^{2(n-k)} = \\ &\text{(let } m = n - k) \\ &= - \lim_{N_{\max} \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{m=1}^{N_{\max}} \frac{(-1)^m 4^{m+1}}{\pi(2m)!} \sum_{n=m}^{N_{\max}} \frac{n(n + m - 1)!}{(-1 + 4n^2)(n - m)!} (\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{s}})^{2m}. \end{aligned}$$

That’s why the Eqs. (4) and (5) from Nerovny et al. (2017) should be written as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} |\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{s}}| &= \lim_{N_{\max} \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{m=1}^{N_{\max}} B_m (\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{s}})^{2m} \approx \sum_{m=1}^{N_{\max}} B_m (\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{s}})^{2m}, \\ B_m &\approx - \frac{(-1)^m 4^{m+1}}{\pi(2m)!} \sum_{n=m}^{N_{\max}} \frac{n(n + m - 1)!}{(-1 + 4n^2)(n - m)!}, \end{aligned}$$

and in equations for $N_{\max B}$, Eqs. (6) and (34), the $\lfloor (N_{\max} - 1)/2 \rfloor$ term should be replaced by N_{\max} .

The results of calculations in Sects. 7 and 8 are not affected by this error because in the numerical calculations we used correct relations presented in this erratum.

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