



SOME RESULTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE ANALYTIC PART OF HARMONIC UNIVALENT FUNCTIONS

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Abstract

In this paper we introduce a new class $\mathcal{MA}_{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ of harmonic univalent functions defined in the open unit disk. We derive the fundamental geometric properties like the coefficient bound inequality, distortion theorems and radii of starlikeness, close-to-convexity and convexity for the analytic part of the harmonic function belonging to the class $\mathcal{MA}_{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$. Applications of fractional calculus operators are exhibited in establishing the distortion theorems.

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1. Introduction

A continuous function $f = u + iv$ is a complex-valued harmonic function in a domain $D \subset \mathbb{C}$ if both u and v are real harmonic in D . In any simply-connected domain the function f can be represented by

$$f = h + \bar{g}, \quad (1.1)$$

where h and g are analytic in D . The functions h and g are, respectively, called the analytic and co-analytic parts of the function f . It is observed (see [3], [7]) that f is locally univalent and sense preserving in D if and only if

$$|g'(z)| < |h'(z)| \quad (z \in D).$$

We denote by \mathcal{H} the class of functions f of the form (1.1) that are harmonic univalent and sense-preserving in the unit disk $\mathcal{U} = \{z : |z| < 1\}$ for which

$$f(0) = f_z(0) - 1 = 0,$$

and we may write then

$$h(z) = z + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} a_n z^n \quad \text{and} \quad g(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n z^n, \quad |b_1| < 1. \quad (1.2)$$

Jahangiri [3] defined a class $\mathcal{MA}_{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha)$ consisting of harmonic starlike functions $f = h + \bar{g}$ which are of order α ($0 \leq \alpha < 1$), where

$$h(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_n| z^n, \quad g(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |b_n| z^n \quad (1.3)$$

and which satisfy the condition that

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\arg f(re^{i\theta})) \geq \alpha, \quad 0 \leq \alpha < 1, \quad |z| = r < 1. \quad (1.4)$$

It was proved in [3] that if $f = h + \bar{g}$ where h, g are given by (1.1) and if

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{n-\alpha}{1-\alpha} |a_n| + \frac{n+\alpha}{1-\alpha} |b_n| \right) \leq 2 \quad (0 \leq \alpha < 1, a_1 = 1), \quad (1.5)$$

then f is harmonic, univalent and starlike of order α in \mathcal{U} . The condition in (1.5) is shown to be necessary also if h and g are of the form (1.3). Avci and Zlotkiewicz in [1] showed that if $\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(|a_n| + |b_n|) \leq 1$, then $f \in \mathcal{MA}_{\mathcal{H}}(0)$. Silverman in [7] proved that the last condition is also necessary if $f = h + \bar{g}$ has negative coefficients.

We introduce here a new class $\mathcal{MA}_{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ of harmonic univalent functions defined as follows:

A function $f(= h + \bar{g}) \in \mathcal{MA}_{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha)$ is said to be in the class $\mathcal{MA}_{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ if the analytic functions h and g satisfy the condition

$$\Re\{1 + \alpha z^2 h''(z) - \beta z h'(z) + \beta g(z)\} > 1 - |\gamma|, \quad (1.6)$$

where $0 \leq \beta \leq \alpha$, $\alpha \geq 0$, $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}$, $z \in \mathcal{U}$.

In this paper we obtain sufficient conditions for a function f to be in the class $\mathcal{MA}_{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ and derive distortion theorems by using fractional calculus operators. We also obtain the radii of starlikeness, close-to-convexity and convexity of functions belonging to the above class.

2. Coefficient Bound Inequalities

We begin by proving the following:

Theorem 1. *Let $f = h + \bar{g}$ (h and g being given by (1.3)). If $f \in \mathcal{MA}_{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$, then*

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left[n(\alpha(n-1) - \beta) |a_n| - \beta \frac{1-3\alpha}{n+\alpha} \right] \leq |\gamma|, \quad (2.1)$$

where $a_1 = b_1 = 1$, $0 < \alpha \leq 1/3$, $0 \leq \beta < \alpha$ and $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}$. The result is sharp.

Proof. Assume that $f \in \mathcal{MA}_{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$. Using (1.6), we get

$$\Re \left\{ 1 - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \alpha n(n-1) |a_n| z^n + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \beta n |a_n| z^n + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \beta |b_n| z^n \right\} > 1 - |\gamma|.$$

Choosing z real and letting $z \rightarrow 1^-$, we obtain

$$1 - \left[\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(\alpha(n-1) - \beta) |a_n| - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \beta |b_n| \right] \geq 1 - |\gamma|$$

which implies

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n(\alpha(n-1) - \beta) |a_n| - \beta |b_n| \leq |\gamma|. \quad (2.2)$$

Since $f \in \mathcal{MA}_{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha)$, therefore, it follows that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n + \alpha}{1 - \alpha} |b_n| \leq 2$$

and from the above inequality we infer that

$$|b_n| \leq \left(\frac{1 - 3\alpha}{n + \alpha} \right) \quad (n \geq 2),$$

and consequently

$$\beta |b_n| \leq \beta \frac{1 - 3\alpha}{n + \alpha}. \quad (2.3)$$

The assertion (2.1) of Theorem 1 now follows upon combining (2.2) and (2.3).

Corollary 1. *If the function $f = h + \bar{g}$, where h and g are given by (1.3), belongs to the class $\mathcal{MA}_{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$, then*

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{(n + \alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1 - 3\alpha)}{n(\alpha(n-1) - \beta)(n + \alpha)} \quad (n \geq 2, 0 < \alpha \leq 1/3, 0 \leq \beta < \alpha, \gamma \in \mathbb{C}). \quad (2.4)$$

The result is sharp for the functions $h(z)$ and $g(z)$, respectively, given by

$$h(z) = z - \frac{(n + \alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1 - 3\alpha)}{n(\alpha(n-1) - \beta)(n + \alpha)} z^n \quad (n \geq 2), \quad (2.5)$$

and

$$g(z) = z + \frac{\beta(1 - 3\alpha)}{n + \alpha} z^n \quad (n \geq 2). \quad (2.6)$$

3. Distortion Theorems Involving Fractional Calculus Operators

We require the following Riemann-Liouville type operators of fractional calculus due to Owa [4].

The fractional integral of order μ of a function $h(z)$ is defined by

$$D_z^{-\mu}\{h(z)\} = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\mu)} \int_0^z \frac{h(\xi)}{(z-\xi)^{1-\mu}} d\xi \quad (\mu > 0), \quad (3.1)$$

where $h(z)$ is analytic in a simply-connected region of the z -plane containing the origin and the multiplicity of $(z-\xi)^{\mu-1}$ is removed by requiring $\log(z-\xi)$ to be real when $z-\xi > 0$.

The fractional derivative of order μ of a function $h(z)$ is defined by

$$D_z^{\mu}\{h(z)\} = \frac{1}{\Gamma(1-\mu)} \frac{d}{dz} \int_0^z \frac{h(\xi)}{(z-\xi)^{\mu}} d\xi \quad (0 \leq \mu < 1), \quad (3.2)$$

where $h(z)$ is chosen as in (3.1), and the multiplicity of $(z-\xi)^{-\mu}$ is removed in the same manner as stated above with (3.1).

Further, under the hypotheses stated with (3.2), the fractional derivative of order $j + \mu$ is defined by

$$D_z^{\mu+j}h(z) = \frac{d^j}{dz^j} D_z^{\mu}h(z), \quad 0 \leq \mu < 1; \quad j \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}. \quad (3.3)$$

Making use of the operators (3.1) and (3.2), we establish the following distortion theorems.

Theorem 2. *If the function $f = h + \bar{g}$ (h and g being given by (1.3)) belongs to the class $\mathcal{MA}_{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$, then*

$$|D_z^{-\mu}h(z)| \geq \frac{|z|^{1+\mu}}{\Gamma(2+\mu)} \left\{ 1 - \frac{(2+\alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1-3\alpha)}{(\alpha-\beta)(2+\alpha)(2+\mu)} |z| \right\} \quad (3.4)$$

and

$$|D_z^{-\mu}h(z)| \leq \frac{|z|^{1+\mu}}{\Gamma(2+\mu)} \left\{ 1 + \frac{(2+\alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1-3\alpha)}{(\alpha-\beta)(2+\alpha)(2+\mu)} |z| \right\}, \quad (3.5)$$

for $\mu > 0$, $0 < \alpha \leq 1/3$, $0 \leq \beta < \alpha$, $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}$ and $z \in \mathcal{U}$. The results are sharp.

Proof. Applying (3.1) to (1.3), we find that

$$D_z^{-\mu} h(z) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(2 + \mu)} z^{1+\mu} - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n+1)}{\Gamma(n+1+\mu)} |a_n| z^{n+\mu}$$

which yields

$$\Gamma(2 + \mu) z^{-\mu} D_z^{-\mu} f(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n+1)\Gamma(2 + \mu)}{\Gamma(n+1 + \mu)} |a_n| z^n.$$

We observe that the function $\varphi(n) = \frac{\Gamma(n+1)\Gamma(2 + \mu)}{\Gamma(n+1 + \mu)}$ ($n \geq 2$) is a decreasing function of n , and this implies that

$$0 < \varphi(n) \leq \varphi(2) = \frac{2}{2 + \mu} \quad (n \geq 2).$$

In view of Theorem 1, we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} |\Gamma(2 + \mu) z^{-\mu} D_z^{-\mu} h(z)| &\geq |z| - \varphi(2) |z|^2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_n| \\ &\geq |z| - \frac{(2 + \alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1 - 3\alpha)}{(\alpha - \beta)(2 + \alpha)(2 + \mu)} |z|^2 \end{aligned}$$

which gives the desired assertion (3.4) of Theorem 2. Similarly, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} |\Gamma(2 + \mu) z^{-\mu} D_z^{-\mu} h(z)| &\leq |z| + \varphi(2) |z|^2 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_n| \\ &\leq |z| + \frac{(2 + \alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1 - 3\alpha)}{(\alpha - \beta)(2 + \alpha)(2 + \mu)} |z|^2. \end{aligned}$$

This yields the second assertion (3.5) of Theorem 2. The sharpness of the inequalities (3.4) and (3.5) are achieved when $h(z)$ is given by

$$D_z^{-\mu} h(z) = \frac{z^{1+\mu}}{\Gamma(2+\mu)} \left\{ 1 - \frac{(2+\alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1-3\alpha)}{2(\alpha-\beta)(2+\alpha)(2+\mu)} z \right\}.$$

Following similar steps as used in proving Theorem 2, wherein, the fractional derivative operator (3.2) is applied to (1.3), we can prove the following.

Theorem 3. *If the function $f = h + \bar{g}$ (h and g being given by (1.3)) belongs to the class $\mathcal{MA}_{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$, then*

$$|D_z^{\mu} h(z)| \geq \frac{|z|^{1-\mu}}{\Gamma(2-\mu)} \left\{ 1 - \frac{(2+\alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1-3\alpha)}{(\alpha-\beta)(2+\alpha)(2-\mu)} |z| \right\} \quad (3.6)$$

and

$$|D_z^{\mu} h(z)| \leq \frac{|z|^{1-\mu}}{\Gamma(2-\mu)} \left\{ 1 + \frac{(2+\alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1-3\alpha)}{(\alpha-\beta)(2+\alpha)(2-\mu)} |z| \right\}, \quad (3.7)$$

where $0 \leq \mu < 1$, $0 < \alpha \leq 1/3$, $0 \leq \beta < \alpha$, $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}$ and $z \in \mathcal{U}$. The results are sharp for the function given by

$$D_z^{\mu} h(z) = \frac{z^{1-\mu}}{\Gamma(2-\mu)} \left\{ 1 - \frac{(2+\alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1-3\alpha)}{(\alpha-\beta)(2+\alpha)(2-\mu)} z \right\}. \quad (3.8)$$

Also, by letting $\mu \rightarrow 0$ in Theorem 2, we obtain

Corollary 2. *If the function $f = h + \bar{g}$ (h and g being given by (1.3)) belongs to the class $\mathcal{MA}_{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$, then*

$$r - \frac{(2+\alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1-3\alpha)}{2(\alpha-\beta)(2+\alpha)} r^2 \leq |h(z)| \leq r + \frac{(2+\alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1-3\alpha)}{2(\alpha-\beta)(2+\alpha)} r^2, \quad (3.9)$$

where $0 < \alpha \leq 1/3$, $0 \leq \beta < \alpha$, $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}$ and $|z| = r < 1$. The result is sharp.

Also, by letting $\mu \rightarrow 1$ in Theorem 3, we get

Corollary 3. *If the function $f = h + \bar{g}$ (h and g being given by (1.3)) belongs to the class $\mathcal{MA}_{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$, then*

$$1 - \frac{(2+\alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1-3\alpha)}{(\alpha-\beta)(2+\alpha)} r \leq |h'(z)| \leq 1 + \frac{(2+\alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1-3\alpha)}{(\alpha-\beta)(2+\alpha)} r, \quad (3.10)$$

where $0 < \alpha \leq 1/3$, $0 \leq \beta < \alpha$, $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}$ and $|z| = r < 1$. The result is sharp.

4. Further Distortion Theorems

We begin by recalling the fractional integral operator $I_{0,z}^{\lambda,\xi,\delta}$ and the fractional derivative operator $\mathcal{J}_{0,z}^{\lambda,\xi,\delta}$ of Saigo type as follows [6] (see also [2] and [5]):

The fractional integral operator of order λ for a function $h(z)$ is defined by

$$I_{0,z}^{\lambda,\xi,\delta}h(z) = \frac{z^{-\lambda-\xi}}{\Gamma(\lambda)} \int_0^z (z-t)^{\lambda-1} {}_2F_1\left(\lambda+\xi, -\delta; \lambda; 1-\frac{t}{z}\right) h(t) dt, \quad (4.1)$$

where $\lambda > 0$, $k > \max\{0, \xi - \delta\} - 1$. The function $h(z)$ is analytic in a simply-connected region of the z -plane containing the origin with the order $h(z) = O(|z|^k)$, $z \rightarrow 0$, the function ${}_2F_1(a, b; c; z)$ is the well known Gauss hypergeometric function defined by

$${}_2F_1(a, b; c; z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(a)_n (b)_n}{(c)_n (1)_n} z^n,$$

where

$$(a)_n = \frac{\Gamma(a+n)}{\Gamma(a)} = \begin{cases} a(a+1)\cdots(a+n-1) & \text{if } n \in \mathbb{N} \\ 1 & \text{if } n = 0, \end{cases}$$

and the multiplicity of $(z-t)^{\lambda-1}$ is removed by requiring $\log(z-t)$ to be real when $(z-t) > 0$.

The fractional derivative operator of a function $h(z)$ of order λ ($0 \leq \lambda < 1$) is defined by

$$\mathcal{J}_{0,z}^{\lambda,\xi,\delta}h(z) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(1-\lambda)} \frac{d}{dz} \left\{ z^{\lambda-\xi} \int_0^z (z-t)^{-\lambda} {}_2F_1\left(\xi-\lambda, 1-\delta; 1-\lambda; 1-\frac{t}{z}\right) h(t) dt \right\} \quad (0 \leq \lambda < 1) \quad (4.2)$$

which holds under similar constraints as mentioned for the operator $I_{0,z}^{\lambda,\xi,\delta}$ defined above by (4.1).

We observe the following relationships of the operators (4.1) and (4.2):

$$I_{0,z}^{\lambda,-\lambda,\delta}h(z) = D_z^{-\lambda}h(z) \quad \text{and} \quad J_{0,z}^{\lambda,\lambda,\delta}h(z) = D_z^{\lambda}h(z).$$

Corresponding to the fractional derivative operator (4.2), we make use of the operator $\Delta_{0,z}^{\lambda,\xi,\delta}$ which is defined by ([2])

$$\Delta_{0,z}^{\lambda,\xi,\delta}h(z) = \frac{\Gamma(2-\xi)\Gamma(2-\lambda+\xi)}{\Gamma(2-\xi+\delta)} z^{\xi} \mathcal{J}_{0,z}^{\lambda,\xi,\delta}h(z) \quad (0 \leq \lambda < 1, \xi < 2, \delta > 0). \quad (4.3)$$

In view of (1.3) and (4.3) we obtain the series representation

$$\Delta_{0,z}^{\lambda,\xi,\delta}h(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(2-\xi+\delta)_{n-1}(2)_{n-1}}{(2-\xi)_{n-1}(2-\lambda+\delta)_{n-1}} |a_n| z^n. \quad (4.4)$$

Theorem 4. Let the function $f = h + \bar{g}$ such that h and g are given by (1.3). If $f \in \mathcal{MA}_{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$, then

$$|\Delta_{0,z}^{\nu,\sigma,s}h(z)| \geq |z| - |z|^2 \frac{(2-\sigma+s)[(2+\alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1-3\alpha)]}{(2-\sigma)(2-\nu+s)(\alpha-\beta)(2+\alpha)} \quad (4.5)$$

and

$$|\Delta_{0,z}^{\nu,\sigma,s}h(z)| \leq |z| + |z|^2 \frac{(2-\sigma+s)[(2+\alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1-3\alpha)]}{(2-\sigma)(2-\nu+s)(\alpha-\beta)(2+\alpha)}, \quad (4.6)$$

where $0 < \alpha \leq 1/3$, $0 \leq \beta < \alpha$, $\gamma \in \mathbb{C}$, $0 \leq \nu < 1$, $\sigma < 2$, $s \in \mathbb{R}_+$, provided that

$$\frac{\sigma(\nu-s)}{\nu} \leq 3.$$

The results are sharp.

Proof. From (2.1) of Theorem 1, we obtain

$$\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_n| \leq \frac{(2+\alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1-3\alpha)}{2(\alpha-\beta)(2+\alpha)},$$

and in view of (4.4) the operator $\Delta_{0,z}^{\nu,\sigma,s}$ applied to $h(z)$ gives

$$\Delta_{0,z}^{\nu,\sigma,s}h(z) = z - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(2-\sigma+s)_{n-1}(2)_{n-1}}{(2-\sigma)_{n-1}(2-\nu+s)_{n-1}} |a_n| z^n. \quad (4.7)$$

Under the assumptions stated with Theorem 4, we observe that the function

$$\psi(n) = \frac{(2-\sigma+s)_{n-1}(2)_{n-1}}{(2-\sigma)_{n-1}(2-\nu+s)_{n-1}} \quad (n \geq 2)$$

is non-increasing and, therefore, we get

$$0 < \psi(n) \leq \psi(2) = \frac{(2-\sigma+s)(2)}{(2-\sigma)(2-\nu+s)}.$$

Consequently, we find that

$$\begin{aligned} |\Delta_{0,z}^{\nu,\sigma,s}h(z)| &\geq |z| - |z|^2 \psi(2) \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |a_n| \\ &\geq |z| - |z|^2 \frac{(2-\sigma+s)[(2+\alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1-3\alpha)]}{(2-\sigma)(2-\nu+s)(\alpha-\beta)(2+\alpha)} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$|\Delta_{0,z}^{\nu,\sigma,s}h(z)| \leq |z| + |z|^2 \frac{(2-\sigma+s)[(2+\alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1-3\alpha)]}{(2-\sigma)(2-\nu+s)(\alpha-\beta)(2+\alpha)}.$$

The inequalities (4.5) and (4.6) are sharp, and the equalities are attained for the function $h(z)$ given by

$$h(z) = z - \frac{[(2+\alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1-3\alpha)]}{2(\alpha-\beta)(2+\alpha)} z^2. \quad (4.8)$$

Evidently, in the special case when $\sigma = \nu$, Theorem 4 would correspond to Theorem 3. In a similar manner, one can obtain the distortion inequalities involving the Saigo type fractional integral operator (4.1).

5. Radii of Starlikeness, Close-to-Convexity and Convexity

We merely state here the following results (Theorems 5 to 7) giving the radii of starlikeness, close-to-convexity and convexity for the analytic

part of the function f belonging to the class $\mathcal{MA}_{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$. The proofs of these results are omitted here as these results can be established by following [6] (see also [5]).

Theorem 5. *Let $f \in \mathcal{MA}_{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$, where $f = h + \bar{g}$ with h and g given by (1.3). Then $h(z)$ is starlike of order ρ ($0 \leq \rho < 1$) in $|z| < r_1$, where*

$$r_1 = \inf_n \left[\frac{2(\alpha - \beta)(2 + \alpha)(1 - \rho)}{[(2 + \alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1 - 3\alpha)](n - \rho)} \right]^{\frac{1}{n-1}}, \quad (n \geq 2). \quad (5.1)$$

Theorem 6. *Let $f \in \mathcal{MA}_{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$, where $f = h + \bar{g}$ with h and g given by (1.3). Then $h(z)$ is close-to-convex of order ρ ($0 \leq \rho < 1$) in $|z| < r_2$, where*

$$r_2 = \inf_n \left[\frac{(1 - \rho)(\alpha - \beta)(2 + \alpha)}{(2 + \alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1 - 3\alpha)} \right]^{\frac{1}{n-1}}, \quad n \geq 2. \quad (5.2)$$

Theorem 7. *Let $f \in \mathcal{MA}_{\mathcal{H}}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$, where $f = h + \bar{g}$ with h and g given by (1.3). Then $h(z)$ is convex of order ρ ($0 \leq \rho < 1$) in $|z| < r_3$, where*

$$r_3 = \inf_n \left[\frac{(1 - \rho)(\alpha - \beta)(2 + \alpha)}{[(2 + \alpha)|\gamma| + \beta(1 - 3\alpha)](n - \rho)} \right]^{\frac{1}{n-1}}, \quad n \geq 2. \quad (5.3)$$

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