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***Experimental approach to the problem***

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| Note: \*Significant at p < 0.05, \*\*Significant at p < 0.01. |

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$α=a\_{1}∙ \sqrt{f} + a\_{2} ∙f+ a\_{3} ∙ \frac{1}{\sqrt{f}}$ (1)

 $a=1$ (2)

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