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Dear Dr. Sloane:

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Enclosed is a 19'th century paper about sequence 1163 on page 107 of your book, "A Handbook of Integer Sequences". See also Exercise 2.3.4-31 of D. E. Knuth's, "The Art of Computer Programming, Second Edition: Volume 1/Fundamental Algorithms".

Exercise 2.21-12 of Knuth's book obtains the asymptotic behavior of this sequence. Page 194 of Szegö's, "Orthogonal Polynomials" (revised edition, 1959) derives a complete asymptotic expansion for large index. A forthcoming paper of mine proves the convergence of Szegö's series.

Sincerely.

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