

**gfun[listtodiffeq]** - find a linear differential equation for the generating function

**gfun[seriestodiffeq]** - find a linear differential equation satisfied by a series

### Calling Sequence

`listtodiffeq(l, y(x), <[typelist]>)`

`seriestodiffeq(s, y(x), <[typelist]>)`

### Parameters

`l` - a list

`s` - a series

`y, z` - the name of the unknown function and the generic variable

`[typelist]` - (optional) a list of generating function types

### Description

- The procedures **listtodiffeq** and **seriestodiffeq** compute a linear differential equation in  $y(x)$  with polynomial coefficients in  $x$  satisfied by the generating function  $y(x)$  of the expressions in `l` or `s`, this generating function being of one of the types specified by `typelist` for example, ordinary (ogf) or exponential (egf). For a full list of available choices see [gftypes](#).
- If `typelist` contains more than one element, these types are tried in order.
- If `typelist` is not provided, the default `optionsgf=['ogf','egf']` is used. The output is a list whose second element is the type for which an equation was found, and whose first element is the differential equation satisfied by the generating function.
- In the current implementation, the maximal order is 2 and the maximum degree of the coefficients is 3. This can be changed by modifying the variables [gfun\['maxordereqn'\]](#) and [gfun\['maxdegcoeff'\]](#).
- If sufficiently many terms were given, and no solution was found, it means that the generating function does not satisfy any linear differential equation of order less or equal to `gfun['maxordereqn']` with coefficients of degree less or equal to `gfun['maxdegcoeff']`.

### Examples

```
> with(gfun):  
l:= [1, 2, 6, 22, 91, 408, 1938, 9614, 49335, 260130, 1402440, 7702632,  
42975796, 243035536, 1390594458, 8038677054, 46892282815,  
275750636070, 1633292229030, 9737153323590]:  
listtodiffeq(l, y(x));
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$$\left[ \left\{ 12 + (-12 + 60x)y(x) + (-18x + 108x^2) \left( \frac{d}{dx} y(x) \right) + (27x^3 - 4x^2) \left( \frac{d^2}{dx^2} y(x) \right), y(0) = 1, D(y)(0) = 2 \right\}, ogf \right] \quad (2.1)$$

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> s:=series(exp(x)/sqrt(1-x),x,7);
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$$s := 1 + \frac{3}{2}x + \frac{11}{8}x^2 + \frac{53}{48}x^3 + \frac{115}{128}x^4 + \frac{2947}{3840}x^5 + \frac{31411}{46080}x^6 + O(x^7) \quad (2.2)$$

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> seriestodiffeq(s,y(x));
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$$\left[ \left\{ y(0) = 1, (-3 + 2x)y(x) + (2 - 2x) \left( \frac{d}{dx} y(x) \right) \right\}, ogf \right] \quad (2.3)$$

### See Also

[gfun](#), [gfun\[parameters\]](#)