

**gfun[listtoratpoly]** - find a rational generating function

**gfun[seriestoratpoly]** - find a rational approximant

### Calling Sequence

listtoratpolym(**l**, **x**, <[**typelist**]>)

seriestoratpoly(**s**, <[**typelist**]>)

### Parameters

**l** - a list

**s** - a series

**x** - the unknown variable

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

### Description

- The procedures **listtoratpoly** and **seriestoratpoly** compute a rational function in **x** for the generating function 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](#)).
- These functions are frontends to [convert\[ratpoly\]](#) which performs the actual computation.
- If **typelist** contains more than one element, these types are tried in order. If **typelist** is not provided, a default **optionsgf=['ogf','egf']** is used.
- The output is a list whose second element is the type for which a solution was found, and whose first element is the rational function.
- One should give as many terms as possible in the list **l** or the series **s**.

### Examples

If the input is the first few elements of the Fibonacci sequence, the the output is the generating series for the Fibonacci numbers.

```
> with(gfun):  
  l:= [1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13];  
  
                                     l := [1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13] (2.1)
```

```
> listtoratpoly(l, x);  
  
                                     [ - 1 / (-1 + x + x^2), ogf ] (2.2)
```

```
> seriestoratpoly(series(1+x+2*x^2*2!+3*x^3*3!+5*x^4*4!+8*x^5*5!  
+13*x^6*6!, x, 8), ['egf']);
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$$\left[ \left[ -\frac{1}{-1+x+x^2}, \text{egf} \right] \right] \quad (2.3)$$

▼ **See Also**

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