BUILDING THE 'series\_op' PROCEDURE INTERACTIVELY

First define the series as in Abramowitz and Stegun

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$$s[1] := 1 + a[1]^*x + a[2]^*x^2 + a[3]^*x^3;$$
  
 $s_1 := 1 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3$   
>  $s[2] := 1 + b[1]^*x + b[2]^*x^2 + b[3]^*x^3;$   
 $s_2 := 1 + b_1 x + b_2 x^2 + b_3 x^3$   
>  $s[3] := 1 + c[1]^*x + c[2]^*x^2 + c[3]^*x^3;$   
 $s_3 := 1 + c_1 x + c_2 x^2 + c_3 x^3$ 

Define a set of unknowns (the coefficients of s3)

> unknowns := {c[1],c[2],c[3]};  

$$unknowns := \left\{ c_1, c_2, c_3 \right\}$$

Define a 'shorthand' procedure for converting P to a polynomial

> P := proc(x) convert(x,polynom) end;

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Define a specific series to re-express

> series\_in := 1 / s[1];

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$$\frac{1}{1 + a_1 x + a_2 x^2 + a_3 x^3}$$

## Perform a series expansion to high enough order

> series(", x = 0, 4);  

$$1 - a_1 x + (-a_2 + a_1^2) x^2 + (-a_3 + a_1 a_2 + (a_2 - a_1^2) a_1) x^3 + O(x^4)$$

Convert the power series to a polynomial

> p1 := P(");  

$$p1 := 1 - a_1 x + (-a_2 + a_1^2) x^2 + (-a_3 + a_1 a_2 + (a_2 - a_1^2) a_1) x^3$$

Convert s[3] to a polynomial

> p2 := P(s[3]);

$$p2 := 1 + c_1 x + c_2 x^2 + c_3 x^3$$

Subtract the two converted series (equivalent to equating them)

> p2 - p1;

$$c_{1} x + c_{2} x^{2} + c_{3} x^{3} + a_{1} x - (-a_{2} + a_{1}^{2}) x^{2}$$
$$- (-a_{3} + a_{1} a_{2} + (a_{2} - a_{1}^{2}) a_{1}) x^{3}$$

Extract the coefficients with respect to x

> coeffs(",x);  
$$a_2 - a_1^2 + c_2, a_1 + c_1, c_3 + a_3 - a_1 a_2 - (a_2 - a_1^2) a_1$$

Convert the coefficient sequence to a set. Order by order the coefficients must vanish, and Maple assumes "= 0" if there is no "=" in an equation

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$$\left\{a_{2} - a_{1}^{2} + c_{2}, a_{1} + c_{1}, c_{3} + a_{3} - a_{1}a_{2} - \left(a_{2} - a_{1}^{2}\right)a_{1}\right\}$$

Solve the set of equations for c[1], c[2], c[3]

> solve(",unknowns);

$$\left\{c_{1} = -a_{1}, c_{2} = -a_{2} + a_{1}^{2}, c_{3} = -a_{3} + 2a_{1}a_{2} - a_{1}^{3}\right\}$$

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