

(\*We define the generating function for the Legendre polynomials as in Eq.12.5.1:\*)

`phi[x_, h_] := 1 / Sqrt[1 - 2 * x * h + h^2]`

(\*We can expand this in a power series in h about h=0, treating x as a constant:\*)

`Simplify[Series[phi[x, h], {h, 0, 3}]]`

$$1 + x h + \frac{1}{2} (-1 + 3 x^2) h^2 + \frac{1}{2} x (-3 + 5 x^2) h^3 + O[h]^4$$

(\*We now prove Eq.12.5.5:\*)

`FullSimplify[(1 - x^2) * D[D[phi[x, h], x], x] - 2 * x * D[phi[x, h], x] + h * D[D[h * phi[x, h], h], h]]`

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