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Start with Generating function

$$\frac{1}{(1-2xh+h^2)^{1/2}} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_n(x)h^n$$

Integrate both sides

$$\int_0^1 \frac{1}{(1-2xh+h^2)^{1/2}} dx = \int_0^1 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_n(x)h^n dx$$

To integrate LHS let $u = 1 - 2xh + h^2$ and $du = -2h dx$

$$\int \frac{1}{(1-2xh+h^2)^{1/2}} dx = \int \frac{1}{(u)^{1/2}} \frac{du}{-2h} = \frac{1}{-2h} \int u^{-1/2} du = -\frac{u^{1/2}}{h}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \frac{1}{(1-2xh+h^2)^{1/2}} dx &= -\frac{(1-2xh+h^2)^{1/2}}{h} \Big|_0^1 \\ \int_0^1 \frac{1}{(1-2xh+h^2)^{1/2}} dx &= -\frac{(1-2h+h^2)^{1/2}}{h} - -\frac{(1+h^2)^{1/2}}{h} \\ \int_0^1 \frac{1}{(1-2xh+h^2)^{1/2}} dx &= \frac{(1+h^2)^{1/2} - [(1-h)^2]^{1/2}}{h} = \frac{(1+h^2)^{1/2} - (1-h)}{h} \end{aligned}$$

This is the LHS term now – we need to do one more manipulation on it below to get this into form with powers of h . We need this because we want to match powers of h on the RHS. The trick is to use the binomial expansion!

Need to deal with

$$\frac{(1+h^2)^{1/2} - (1-h)}{h}$$

Use binomial Theorem

$$(1+x)^n = 1 + \frac{n}{1!}x + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{3!}x^3 + \dots$$

Therefore

$$(1+h^2)^{1/2} = 1 + \frac{(\frac{1}{2})}{1!}h^2 + \frac{(\frac{1}{2})(\frac{1}{2}-1)}{2!}h^4 + \frac{(\frac{1}{2})(\frac{1}{2}-1)(\frac{1}{2}-2)}{3!}h^6 + \dots$$

and

$$\frac{(1+h^2)^{1/2} - (1-h)}{h} = \frac{1}{h} \left\{ \left[1 + \frac{(\frac{1}{2})}{1!}h^2 + \frac{(\frac{1}{2})(\frac{1}{2}-1)}{2!}h^4 + \frac{(\frac{1}{2})(\frac{1}{2}-1)(\frac{1}{2}-2)}{3!}h^6 + \dots \right] - (1-h) \right\}$$

$$\frac{(1+h^2)^{1/2} - (1-h)}{h} = 1 + \frac{(\frac{1}{2})}{1!}h + \frac{(\frac{1}{2})(\frac{1}{2}-1)}{2!}h^3 + \frac{(\frac{1}{2})(\frac{1}{2}-1)(\frac{1}{2}-2)}{3!}h^5 + \dots$$

From RHS (at the beginning after integration) above we have

$$\int_0^1 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_n(x) h^n dx = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[\int_0^1 P_n(x) dx \right] h^n$$

Match powers of h from LHS (our previous binomial expansion) to RHS (directly above)

$$\text{For } n = 0 \quad \int_0^1 P_0(x) dx = 1$$

$$\text{For } n \text{ even} \quad \int_0^1 P_{2n}(x) dx = 0, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots \text{ since no even powers on LHS}$$

$$\text{For } n \text{ odd} \quad \int_0^1 P_{2n-1}(x) dx = \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}-2\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}-3\right)\cdots\left(\frac{1}{2}-n+1\right)}{n!}, \quad n=1, 2, \dots$$

Multiply numerator and denominator by 2^n (taking care of all the $\frac{1}{2}$ factors, also do sign change!)

$$\int_0^1 P_{2n-1}(x) dx = \frac{2^n \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}-1\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}-2\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}-3\right)\cdots\left(\frac{1}{2}-n+1\right)}{2^n n!} = \frac{(1)(1-2)(1-4)(1-6)\cdots(1-2n+2)}{2^n n!}$$

Reduce some terms

$$\int_0^1 P_{2n-1}(x) dx = \frac{(1)(-1)(2-1)(-1)(4-1)(-1)(6-1)\cdots(-1)(2n-3)}{2^n n!} = \frac{(-1)^n (1)(3)(5)\cdots(2n-3)}{2^n n!}$$

Note product missing terms in numerator to complete factorial

$$(2)(4)(6)\cdots 2(n-1) = 2(1)2(2)2(3)\cdots 2(n-1) = 2^{n-1}(n-1)!$$

Therefore multiply numerator and denominator by $2^{n-1}(n-1)!$ by gives

$$\int_0^1 P_{2n-1}(x) dx = \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(2n-2)!}{2^n n! 2^{n-1}(n-1)!} = \frac{(-1)^{n-1}(2n-2)!}{2^{2n-1} n! (n-1)!}$$

Finally let $2n-1 = 2m+1$ to match book, that is $n = m+1$ and substitute

$$\int_0^1 P_{2m+1}(x) dx = \frac{(-1)^{(m+1-1)}(2(m+1)-2)!}{2^{2(m+1)-1}(m+1)!(m+1-1)!} = \frac{(-1)^m(2m)!}{2^{2m+1}(m+1)!(m)!}$$

Same as the book with this m equal to n in the book!!!!