

D 2.4.3 - cont.

F=DIF(F,X,1)

PRINT F

$$\begin{aligned}
 F = & -6 / (1 - X)^{**} 2 / \log (1 - X)^{**} 3 - 3 / (1 - X)^{**} 2 / \log (1 - X) \\
 & + 2 - 6 * X / (1 - X)^{**} 3 / \log (1 - X)^{**} 4 - 6 * X / (1 - X)^{**} 3 \\
 & / \log (1 - X)^{**} 3 - 2 * X / (1 - X)^{**} 3 / \log (1 - X)^{**} 2
 \end{aligned}
 \quad f^{(1)} \downarrow$$

F=DIF(F,X,1)

PRINT F

$$\begin{aligned}
 F = & -24 / (1 - X)^{**} 3 / \log (1 - X)^{**} 4 - 24 / (1 - X)^{**} 3 / \log (1 - X) \\
 & + 3 - 8 / (1 - X)^{**} 3 / \log (1 - X)^{**} 2 - 24 * X / (1 - X)^{**} 4 \\
 & / \log (1 - X)^{**} 5 - 36 * X / (1 - X)^{**} 4 / \log (1 - X)^{**} 4 - 22 * X \\
 & / (1 - X)^{**} 4 / \log (1 - X)^{**} 3 - 6 * X / (1 - X)^{**} 4 / \log (1 - X) \\
 & + 2
 \end{aligned}
 \quad f^{(IV)} \downarrow$$

has been made of such programs on p.1 of  
Chapter 2 of Dr. Dragt's book.

However, in order to find the Taylor series  
we need to evaluate these things at  $x=0$ ,  
where we get 0/0. So we need to use  
L'Hôpital's rule for each one,  $n$  times for  
the  $n^{\text{th}}$  derivative, after getting a  
common denominator. This is clearly not the  
best route.