

11. EVALUATION OF THE HERMITE POLYNOMIAL $H_n(X)$
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comment This procedure computes the Hermite polynomial
 $H_n(X) = (-1)^n \times e^{X^2} \times (d^n/dX^n(e^{-X^2}))$ for any given real argument, X , and any order, n , by the recursion formula below;

real procedure He(n, X) ;
integer n ; **real** X ;
begin real a, b, c ; **integer** i ;
 $a := 1$; $b := 2X$
if $n = 0$ **then** $c := a$ **else if** $n = 1$ **then**
 $c := b$ **else for** $i := 1$ **step 1 until** $n-1$ **do**
begin $c := 2 \times X \times b - 2 \times i \times a$;
 $a := b$; $b := c$
end
 $He := c$
end