

### Reformulation to improve precision

1) Reformulate the following functions to avoid loss of significance:

a.  $\frac{1 - \cos \epsilon}{\epsilon^2}$  for small  $\epsilon$

b.  $\frac{y(e^{(a+b)y} - 1)}{(e^{ay} - 1)(e^{by} - 1)}$  for small  $y$

c.  $\frac{\sin x}{x - \sqrt{x^2 - 1}}$

d. Identify where the loss of significance occurs in (c) above

2) Reformulate the following terms using the Mean Value Theorem to avoid loss of significance:

a.  $\sqrt{82} - \sqrt{81}$

b.  $\sin(x + \epsilon) - \sin x$  for small  $\epsilon$  and large  $x$