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Further Calculus and Series, Paper II Q8

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Maximum and Minimum Problems:

These problems have the same basis as the Max/Min problems that you find in Question 6 and 7 of Paper 1. But they are more practical based and slightly more difficult. Also you will generally be given a diagram to help you visualise so make the most of that.

Remember from Differentiation:

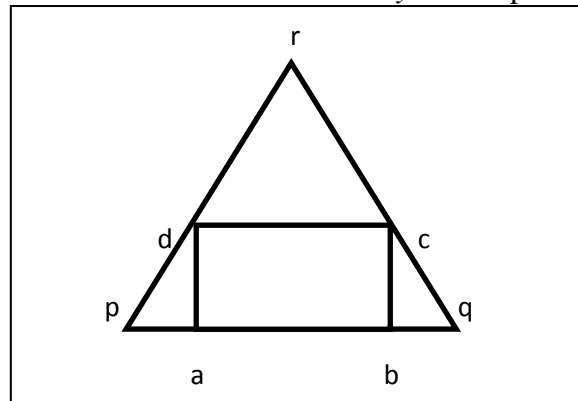
$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} < 0 \text{ at a **Maximum** Point}$$

Example: Max and Min Problems Part (i)

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} < 0 \text{ at a **Maximum** Point}$$

Most questions have a part (i) to them which offers you the key doing this question. Which is expressing everything in terms of one variable.

Leaving Cert 2008, Q8 b (i) pqr is an equilateral triangle of side 6 cm. $abcd$ is a rectangle inscribed in the triangle as shown. $ab = x$ cm and $bc = y$ cm. Express y in terms of x .



$$|pq| = 6$$

$$|ab| = x$$

As we can see from the diagram $|ab|$ is in $|pq|$

$$|pa| = |bq|$$

$$2|bq| = 6 - x \quad \{\text{This is the line } pq \text{ without } |ab|\}$$

$$|bq| = 3 - \frac{1}{2}x$$

$$\angle rqp = \angle cqb = 60 \quad \{\text{Equilateral triangle}\}$$

$$\tan(\angle cqb) = \tan 60 = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\tan = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{adj}} \quad \{\text{Table Book, p. 16}\}$$

$$\tan(\angle cqb) = \frac{|bc|}{|bq|} = \frac{y}{3 - \frac{1}{2}x} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$y = \sqrt{3} \left(3 - \frac{1}{2}x \right)$$

Leaving Cert 2008, Q8 b (ii) Find the maximum possible area of $abcd$. (Continued on from the previous question)

$$\text{Area of } abcd = xy = x(y = (x)\sqrt{3}(3 - \frac{1}{2}x))$$

$$A = 3x\sqrt{3} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x^2$$

$$\frac{dA}{dx} = 3\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{3}x = 0 \quad \left\{ \text{To find max, } \frac{dA}{dx} = 0 \right\}$$

$$3\sqrt{3} = \sqrt{3}x \implies x = 3$$

$$\frac{d^2A}{dx^2} = -\sqrt{3} < 0 \implies \text{Max}$$

$$A = 3x\sqrt{3} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}x^2 = 9\sqrt{3} - \frac{9\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{9\sqrt{3}}{2} \text{ cm}^2$$

WARNING! You'll notice



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$$\int u dv = uv - \int v du$$

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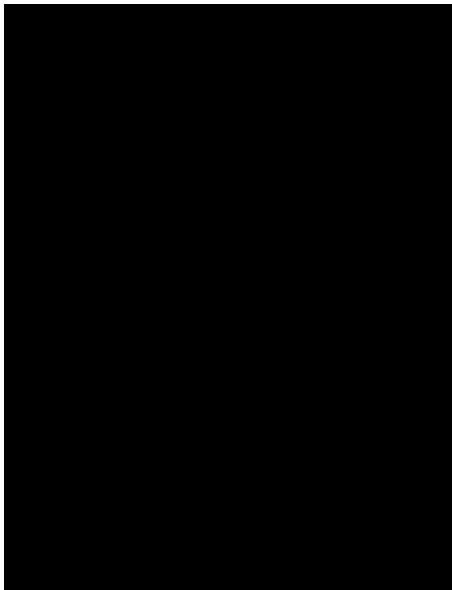
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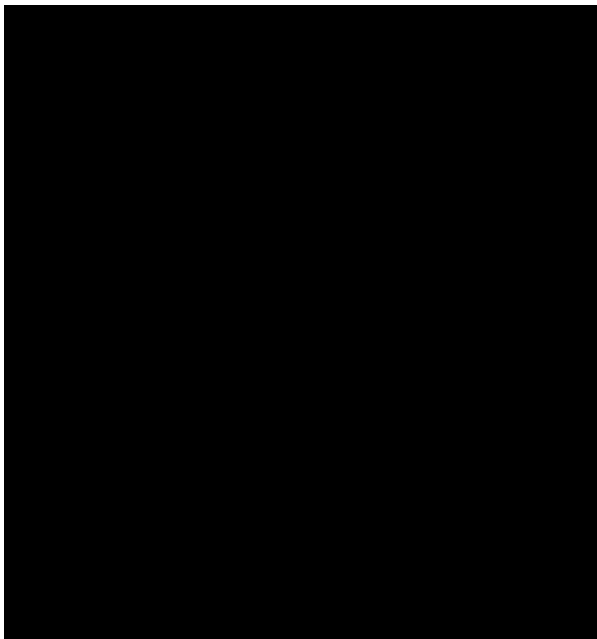
1. Logs
 2. Inverse Trig
 3. Algebra
 4. Trigonometry
 5. Exponential Function (e^x)
- You assign the letter U to the above in that order. In each sum you will have two of these and you assign U to whichever is highest rank here.

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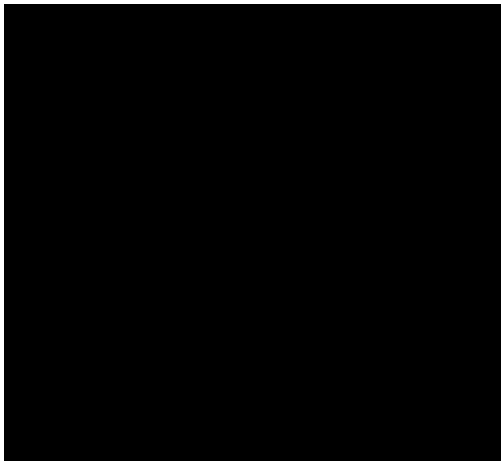
Select $U=x$, as x is Algebra and it is higher than exponential in the order



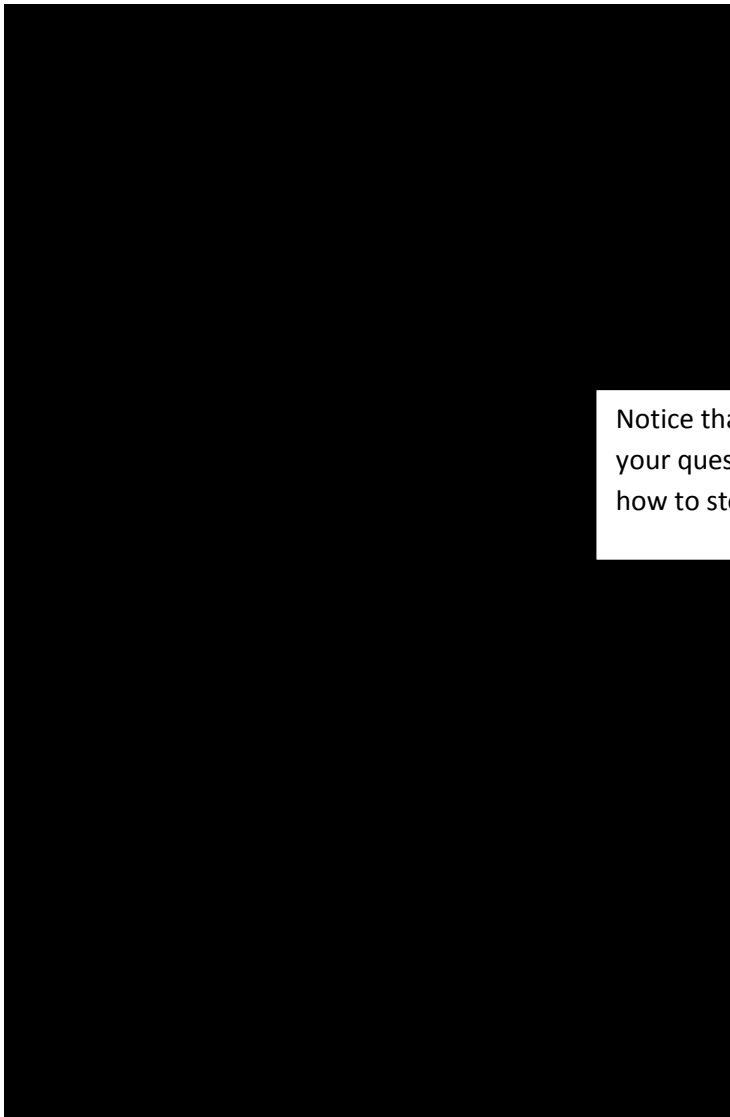
WARNING! This is the most important step here. Watch out for this or you'll miss it

Don't forget your '+C'





← This requires integration by parts again



Notice that this is the exact same as your question. This is how you know how to stop

Manipulate here: Just bring the last term across to the other side.

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$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{u_{n+1}}{u_n} \right| = R$$

R < 1 ==> The series is convergent

R > 1 ==> The series is divergent

R = 1 ==> The test is inconclusive

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Note: There is a button on your calculator for factorials as well. Become familiar with it. (n!)

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$$\frac{0}{z} = 0 \text{ As } 0 < 1, \text{convergent}$$
$$\frac{z}{0} = \infty \text{ As } \infty > 1, \text{divergent}$$

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WARNING! Pay careful attention to the power of 2 here when you increase from n to $n+1$

It is $3(n+1)+1=3n+3+1$

Not $3n+1+1$

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Maclaurin Series

$$f(x) = f(0) + \frac{f'(0)}{1!}x + \frac{f''(0)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{f'''(0)}{3!}x^3 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!}x^n + \dots$$

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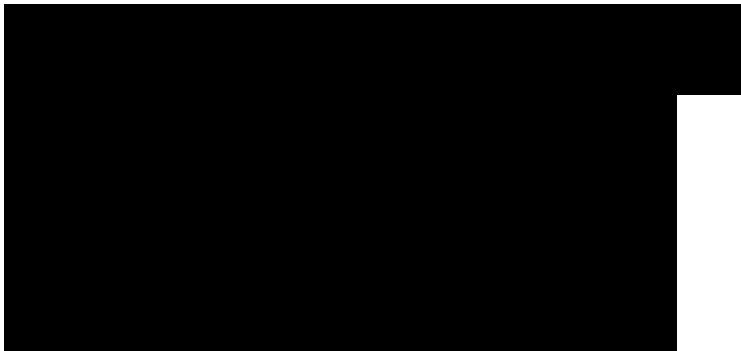
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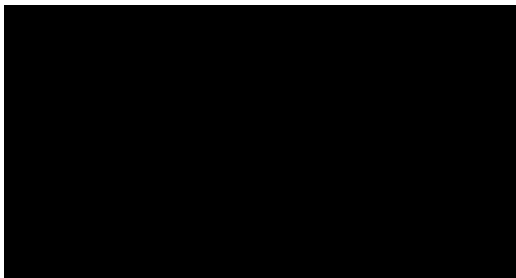
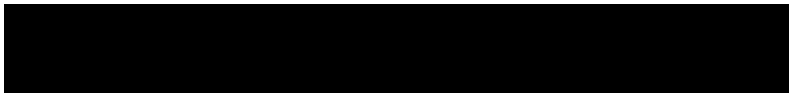
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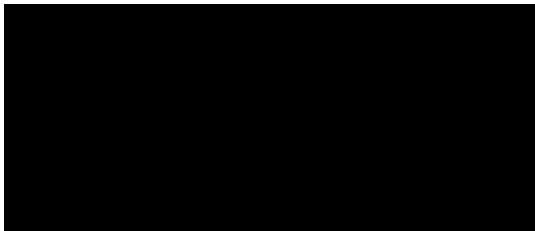
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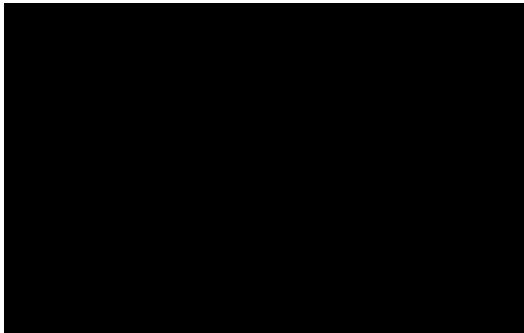
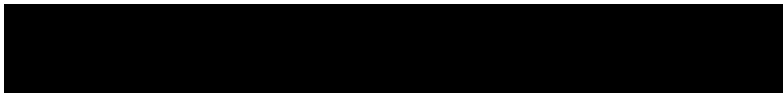


Note that $\frac{1}{1+x}$ is converted to $(1+x)^{-1}$ for the rest of the terms and you apply the Chain Rule.

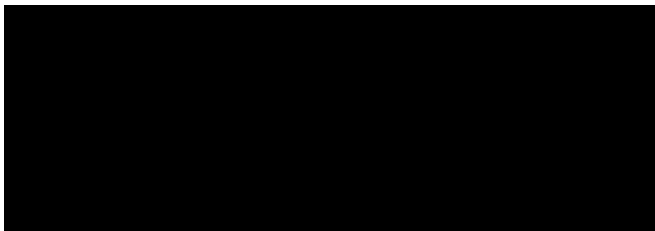


Note that it begins to repeat itself

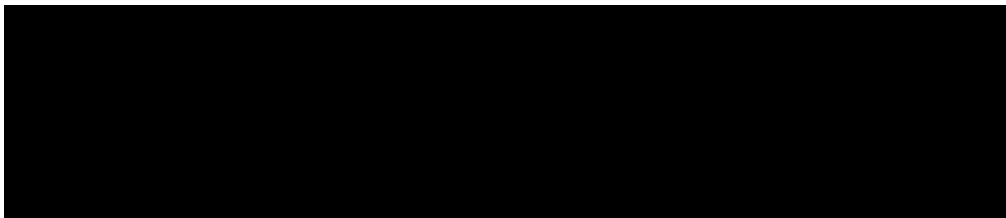
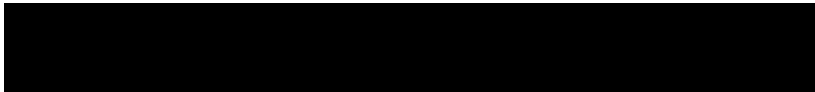




Note the similarities between $\cos x$ and $\sin x$



WARNING! You can be asked to find $\sin^2 x$ or $\cos^2 x$, once you have $\sin x$ or $\cos x$. Simply do this by applying the formula on p.14 Table Book. And letting $x=2A$



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WARNING! It is very easy to sub in $x = \frac{11}{10}$ if you don't look closely. Be careful of this with every approximation.

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This series only converges for $-1 < x < 1$. You need it to converge and therefore whatever you sub in for x must fit this. If not manipulate it so it will.

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A good check step is to check if $\sqrt{17}$ on your calculator is close to your final answer. If they are then you should be right!

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$$\frac{1}{x^2 + a^2} = \frac{1}{a} \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{a}$$

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$$\tan^{-1} x + \tan^{-1} y = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x+y}{1-xy} \right)$$

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