

$$f(x) = x(\sqrt{x+1} - \sqrt{x})$$

$$f_2(x) = \frac{x}{x(\sqrt{x+1} + \sqrt{x})}$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1 - \cos x}{x^2}$$

$$g_2(x) = \frac{2(\sin \frac{x}{2})^2}{x}$$

- A) In both original functions the greatest loss of significant figures is due to a subtraction operation between two values that are close to the same value.
- B) In the first expression I removed the subtraction operation by applying the functions conjugate, in the second I used the trig identity for  $1 - \cos x / 2 = \sin^2$  of  $x / 2$ .