

## Some Important Results from the Logarithmic Series.

(1) Replacing  $x$  by  $-x$  in the logarithmic series, we get

$$\log_e(1-x) = -x - \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} - \dots \infty \text{ or } -\log_e(1-x) = x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots \infty$$

$$(2) \text{ (i) } \log_e(1+x) + \log_e(1-x) = \log_e(1-x^2) = -2 \left\{ \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{4} + \dots \infty \right\}, (-1 < x < 1)$$

$$\text{(ii) } \log_e(1+x) - \log_e(1-x) = 2 \left[ x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} + \dots \infty \right] \text{ or } \log_e \left( \frac{1+x}{1-x} \right) = 2 \left[ x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} + \dots \infty \right]$$

(3) The series expansion of  $\log_e(1+x)$  may fail to be valid if  $|x|$  is not less than 1. It can be proved that the logarithmic series is valid for  $x=1$ . Putting  $x=1$  in the logarithmic series.

$$\text{We get, } \log_e 2 = 1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{6} + \dots \infty = \frac{1}{1.2} + \frac{1}{3.4} + \frac{1}{5.6} + \dots \infty$$

(4) When  $x = -1$ , the logarithmic series does not have a sum. This is in conformity with the fact that  $\log(1-1)$  is not a finite quantity.