## 10.12 Lagrange Error Bound

Calculus

1. The fifth-degree Maclaurin polynomial for sin x is given by  $x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!}$ . Use the Lagrange error bound to estimate the error in using this polynomial to approximate sin  $\frac{\pi}{3}$ .

2. The function f has derivatives of all orders for all real numbers and  $f^{(3)}(x) = e^{\cos x}$ . If the second-degree Taylor Polynomial for f about x = 0 is used to approximate f on [0,1], what is the Lagrange error bound for the maximum error on [0,1]?

3. Assume a fourth-degree Taylor Polynomial about x = 2 is used for the approximation f and  $|f^{(5)}(x)| \le 12$  for all  $x \ge 1$ . Which of the following represents the Lagrange error bound in the approximation of f(2.5)?

(A) 
$$\frac{1}{120}$$
 (B)  $\frac{1}{320}$  (C) 12 (D)  $\frac{3}{8}$ 

4. Determine the degree of the Taylor Polynomial about x = 0 for  $f(x) = \sin x$  required for the error in the approximation of f(0.3) to be less than  $10^{-5}$ .

x	f(x)	f'(x)	$f^{\prime\prime}(x)$	$f^{\prime\prime\prime}(x)$	$f^{(4)}(x)$
1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	<u>9</u> 10	<u>13</u> 12	<u>16</u> 21

Let *f* be a function having derivatives of all orders for x > 0. Selected values for the first four derivatives of *f* are given for x = 1. Use the Lagrange error bound to show that the third-degree Taylor Polynomial for *f* about x = 1 approximates f(0.8) with an error less than  $10^{-4}$ .

Answers to 10.12 CA #2

1. 0.00183	2. 0.4530	3. B	4. $n = 5$	5. $R_3 = 5.079 \times 10^{-5} \le 10^{-4}$
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