

EXACT LOWER AND UPPER BOUNDS ON THE INCOMPLETE GAMMA FUNCTION

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Abstract. Lower and upper bounds $B_a(x)$ on the incomplete gamma function $\Gamma(a,x)$ are given for all real a and all real $x > 0$. These bounds $B_a(x)$ are exact in the sense that $B_a(x) \underset{x \downarrow 0}{\sim} \Gamma(a,x)$ and $B_a(x) \underset{x \rightarrow \infty}{\sim} \Gamma(a,x)$. Moreover, the relative errors of these bounds are rather small for other values of x , away from 0 and ∞ .

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