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n	$f^{(n)}(x)$	$f^{(n)}(\pi/2)$
0	$\sin(x)$	1
1	$\cos(x)$	0
2	$-\sin(x)$	-1
3	$-\cos(x)$	0
4	$\sin(x)$	1
5	$\cos(x)$	0
6	$-\sin(x)$	-1

The degree n term is of the form $\frac{f^{(n)}(\pi/2) (x-\pi/2)^n}{n!}$. Filling into the table, we thus have:

$$P_6(x) = 1 - \frac{(x-\pi/2)^2}{2!} + \frac{(x-\pi/2)^4}{4!} - \frac{(x-\pi/2)^6}{6!}$$

Note: If the Taylor polynomial for $\cos(x)$ at $x=0$ is known, we may obtain the desired polynomial by observing $\cos(x) = \sin(x+\pi/2)$.

② If $g(u) = \frac{1}{1+u} = (1+u)^{-1}$, we may use the binomial expansion to obtain $g(u) \approx 1 + (-1)u + \frac{(-1)(-2)}{2} u^2 + \frac{(-1)(-2)(-3)}{3!} u^3$
 $\approx 1 - u + u^2 - u^3$

Plugging in $u=x^2$, we obtain:

$$f(x) \approx 1 - x^2 + x^4 - x^6$$

③ (a) The Taylor series for f is

$$\frac{x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} \dots}{x} - 1 = 1 - \frac{x^2}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{5!} \dots - 1 = \frac{-x^2}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{5!} + \dots$$

(b) The Taylor series for g is:

$$\frac{1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots}{x} - 1 = 1 + \frac{x}{2!} + \frac{x^2}{3!} + \dots - 1 = \frac{x}{2!} + \frac{x^2}{3!} + \dots$$

(3) The Taylor series for $\frac{\log(1+x) - x}{x^2} + \frac{1}{2}$

$$\text{is: } \frac{x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} - \dots - x}{x^2} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{-\frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{3} + \dots}{x^2} + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \frac{-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{x}{3} - \frac{x^2}{4} + \dots}{x^2} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{x}{3} - \frac{x^2}{4} + \dots$$

Comparing:

$$f(x) = -\frac{x^2}{3!} + \dots$$

$$g(x) = \frac{x}{2!} + \dots$$

$$h(x) = \frac{x}{3} + \dots$$

We see, for $|x|$ small, $x > 0$, $f < 0$, $g \approx \frac{x}{2}$, $h \approx \frac{x}{3}$.

Thus, for $x > 0$ and $|x|$ sufficiently small, $f(x) \leq h(x) \leq g(x)$.

(4) First note $|\cos(x)| \leq 1$, and $|\sin(x)| \leq 0.1$ for $|x| \leq 0.1$.

If we evaluate the \cos , also note that only even order terms occur in the Taylor polynomial, so the error term is going to be of the form

$$\left| \frac{\cos^{(2n+1)}(c)}{(2n+1)!} \frac{|x|^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \right| = |\sin(c)| \frac{|x|^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} \leq (0.1) \frac{(0.1)^{2n+1}}{(2n+1)!} = \frac{(0.1)^{2n+2}}{(2n+1)!}$$

We form a table:

$2n$	Error bound
2	$(0.1)^4/3! \approx 1.6 \times 10^{-5}$
4	$(0.1)^6/5! \approx 8.3 \times 10^{-9}$
6	8.3×10^{-9}

Thus, we may take

$$P_4(x) = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!}$$