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Enrique Treviño* (etrevin1@swarthmore.edu), 500 College Avenue, Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA 19081. *The Burgess inequality and the least k -th power non-residue.*

The Burgess inequality is the best upper bound we have for the character sum $S_\chi(M, N) = \sum_{M < n \leq M+N} \chi(n)$. Until recently, no explicit estimates had been given for the inequality. In 2006, Booker gave an explicit estimate for quadratic characters which he used to calculate the class number of a 32-digit discriminant. McGown used an explicit estimate to show that there are no norm-Euclidean Galois cubic fields with conductor greater than 10^{70} . Both of their explicit estimates are on restricted ranges. In this talk we give an explicit estimate that works for any integers M and N . We also improve McGown's estimates in a slightly narrower range, getting explicit estimates for characters of any order. We apply the estimates to the question of how large must a prime p be to ensure that there is a k -th power nonresidue less than $p^{1/6}$. (Received September 24, 2012)