## **Slopes of Secant and tangent Lines**

- 1. Suppose f'(x) is decreasing for  $2 \le x \le 7$ . Let y = L(x) represent the equation of the linear function tangent to the graph of f at the point (2, f(2)). Which of the following is true? (*Hint: Draw a picture.*)
  - (a) L(3) > f(3).
  - (b) L(3) < f(3).
  - (c) L(3) = f(3).
  - (d) There is not enough information to compare L(3) and f(3).

2. The equation of the line tangent to the graph of  $f(x) = \sin(x)$  when  $x = \frac{\pi}{6}$  is:

(a) 
$$y = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left( x - \frac{\pi}{6} \right) - \frac{1}{2}$$
  
(b)  $y = -\cos(x) \left( x - \frac{\pi}{6} \right) + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$   
(c)  $y = \frac{1}{2} \left( x - \frac{\pi}{6} \right) + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$   
(d)  $y = \cos(x) \left( x + \frac{\pi}{6} \right) + \frac{1}{2}$   
(e)  $y = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \left( x - \frac{\pi}{6} \right) + \frac{1}{2}$ 



3. The graph of the function y = f(x) is below. Note that the scales on the x and y axes are the same. Which of the following inequalities is true?

a. 
$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h} < f(b) - f(a) < \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a}$$

- **b.**  $\frac{f(b) f(a)}{b a} < \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(a + h) f(a)}{h} < f(b) f(a)$
- c.  $\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(a+h) f(a)}{h} < \frac{f(b) f(a)}{b-a} < f(b) f(a)$

**d.** 
$$f(b) - f(a) < \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} < \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(a + h) - f(a)}{h}$$

e. 
$$\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} < f(b) - f(a) < \lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(a + h) - f(a)}{h}$$

4. Suppose  $f'(a) > \frac{f(a + \Delta x) - f(a)}{\Delta x}$  for  $\Delta x > 0$ . Which of the following could be a graph of f?



- a. I only
- b. II only
- c. II and III only
- d. I and IV only
- e. III and IV only

5. Consider the graph of y = f(x) illustrated below.



Write each graphical quantity, A-F, in the blank next to corresponding expression on the left. *Each letter will be used exactly once.* 

Expression	<b>Graphical Quantity</b>
h	 А
f(a)	 В
f(a+h)	 С
f(a+h) - f(a)	 D
$\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$	 Е
$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$	 F