## **Reading** Stewart $\S 1.4$ and $\S 2.1$ .

- 1. Using the **limit definition of the derivative**:
  - a) Find the slope of the tangent line to the curve  $y = x^2 3x$  at the point where x = -1.
  - b) Find the equation of the tangent line from part (a). Simplify your answer.
- 2. Using the **limit definition of the derivative**, find and simplify the equations of:
  - a) the tangent line to the curve  $y = x^3 + 2x 7$  at the point (2,5).
  - b) the tangent line to the curve  $y = \sqrt{x}$  at the point (1, 1).
- 3. An ant is crawling along a wire with position  $s(t) = \frac{5}{t^2}$  centimeters down the wire at time t seconds after noon. Using the **limit definition of the derivative**, find its velocity:
  - a) at time t = 1;

- b) at time t=2.
- 4. Suppose f(x) is a function with the property that f(2) = 6 and f'(2) = -2. Find an equation for the tangent line to the curve y = f(x) at the point where x = 2. Simplify your answer.
- 5. Suppose g(x) is a function with the property that the tangent line to y = g(x) at the point (4,1) passes through the point (6,-3). Find g(4) and g'(4).