

## 3.6a Chain Rule

Use chain rules to discover the amazing chain rule for derivatives of composite functions.

$$f'(x) g'(f(x))$$

Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ :

$$y = \sin(x^2 + x) \cdot (2x + 1) \cdot \cos(x^2 + x)$$

$$\cancel{y} = \sin^5 x = (\sin x)^5$$

$$5(\sin x)^4 (\cos x)$$

$$y = (x^3 + 2x - 1)^4$$

$$4(x^3 + 2x - 1)^3 (3x^2 + 2)$$

$$y = \underbrace{(x^3 - x)^5}_1 \underbrace{\sin(4x)}_2$$

$$\frac{((x^3 - x)^5)^4 \frac{d}{dx}(\sin(4x)) + (\sin(4x))^5 \frac{d}{dx}((x^3 - x))}{(\sec(3x^2))^2}$$

$$y = \frac{x^2 \sin x}{\sec(3x^2)}$$

$$\frac{\sec(3x^2) \cdot x^2 \cos x + (\sin x)(2x) - (x^2 \sin x) \sec(3x^2) \tan(3x^2) (6x)}{(\sec(3x^2))^2}$$

If a particle moves along the x-axis so that its position is given by  $x(t) = \cos(t^2 + 1)$ , find the velocity.