## Exercise 45

A formula for the *derivative* of a function f is given. How many critical numbers does f have?

 $f'(x) = 5e^{-0.1|x|} \sin x - 1$ 

## Solution

A critical number is a value of x for which the derivative is zero or nonexistent.



There are ten places where the graph crosses the x-axis and no places where the graph does not exist. Therefore, there are ten critical numbers.