Math 3298 Worksheet 23

Group members (1 to 3):

(1) Use Newton's method to find the common zero of $f=x^9-y-1$ and $g=y^9-x-2$ near (1,1).

(2) Suppose Xavier and Yolanda both have classes that end at noon and they agree to try to meet every day after class at a coffee shop. They arrive independently; let Xavier's arrival time be X and Yolanda's arrival time be Y, measured in minutes after noon. The probability density functions for these times are:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-x} & \text{if } x \ge 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases} \qquad g(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{y}{50} & \text{if } 0 \le y \le 10 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

So Xavier arrives sometime after noon, usually sooner rather than later. Yolanda always arrives by 12:10, and is more likely to arrive later than sooner.

After Yolanda arrives, she will wait up to a half an hour for Xavier, but he will not wait for her. Find the probability that they meet.