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So the variance can be expressed as,

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$$= \overline{I_X}^2 + \overline{I_Y}^2.$$

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Note that
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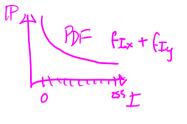
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For random intensities I_X and I_Y decribed as exponential PDFs,

$$\oint f_{I_X}(i_X) = \frac{1}{\overline{I_X}} \exp\left\{\frac{-i_X}{\overline{I_X}}\right\}$$

their sum $I_Z = I_X + I_Y$ is described by another PDF, $f_{I_Z}(i_Z)$.



For discrete random quantities $X,Y,Z\in\mathbb{N}_0$, let Z=X+Y. A sum of 3 could result from 0+3 or 1+2 or 2+1 or 3+0 so,

$$P(Z = 3) = P(X = 0) P(Y = 3)$$

+ $P(X = 1) P(Y = 2)$
+ $P(X = 2) P(Y = 1)$
+ $P(X = 3) P(Y = 0)$

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$$= \sum_{x=0}^{3} P(X=x) P(Y=3-x).$$

Letting $p_Z(z)$ etc. be discrete equivalents of a PDF to denote probabilities.

$$p_Z(z) = \sum_{x=0}^z p_X(x) p_Y(z-x).$$

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Let $f_X(x) = \lambda_X e^{-\lambda_X x}$ and $f_Y(y) = \lambda_Y e^{-\lambda_Y y}$ be exponential PDFs with rate parameters λ_X and λ_Y . The PDF of their sum is,

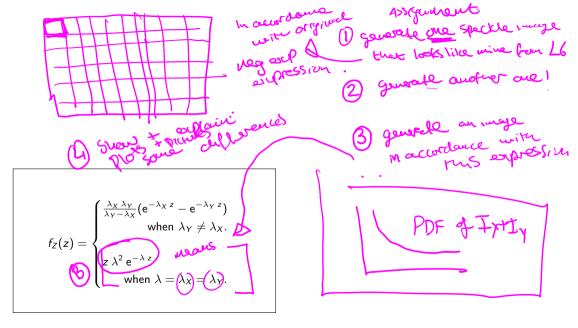
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$$= \lambda_X \lambda_Y e^{-\lambda_Y z} \int_0^z e^{(\lambda_Y - \lambda_X) x} dx.$$

By FTC the definite integral is the difference between the antiderivative evaluated at the limits,

$$\begin{split} & \frac{1}{\lambda_Y - \lambda_X} e^{(\lambda_Y - \lambda_X) x} \Big|_0^z \\ &= \frac{1}{\lambda_Y - \lambda_X} e^{(\lambda_Y - \lambda_X) z} - \frac{1}{\lambda_Y - \lambda_X}. \end{split}$$

Or
$$\int_0^z 1 dx = z$$
 when $\lambda_X = \lambda_Y$.



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