

## Problem 102

$X$  = lifetime of 1<sup>st</sup> generator

$Y$  = lifetime of 2<sup>nd</sup> generator

$X \sim \text{Exponential} (\theta = 10)$

since  $E(X) = 10 = \theta$

$Y \sim \text{Exponential} (\theta = 10)$

Strategy: Determine equation for total time

Determine relationship between 2 generators

2<sup>nd</sup> generator starts only after 1<sup>st</sup> fails

Total lifetime is lifetime of 1<sup>st</sup> generator plus lifetime of 2<sup>nd</sup>

$$\text{Total time} = X + Y$$

Assume  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent

$$V(X + Y) = V(X) + V(Y)$$

$$= 10^2 + 10^2$$

$$= \underline{\underline{200}}$$

by independence

since  $V(X) = \theta^2$

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