

Solution for problem 5.4.8 in Pinsky & Karlin

The derivation is similar to that on page 249/250 in KP. Let $\mu_\xi = E[\xi_i]$ and let U_1, \dots, U_n be independent and uniformly distributed in $(0, t]$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[Z(t)] &= E \left[\sum_{k=1}^{N(t)} \theta_k(t) \right] \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(N(t) = n) E \left[\sum_{k=1}^{N(t)} \theta_k(t) \mid N(t) = n \right] \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(N(t) = n) E \left[\sum_{k=1}^{N(t)} \xi_k e^{-\alpha(t-W_k)} \mid N(t) = n \right] \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(N(t) = n) E \left[\sum_{k=1}^n \xi_k e^{-\alpha(t-U_k)} \right] && \text{(Theorem 5.7)} \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(N(t) = n) E \left[\sum_{k=1}^n \xi_k e^{-\alpha U_k} \right] && \text{(by symmetry of } U_k \text{ and } t - U_k) \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(N(t) = n) \sum_{k=1}^n E[\xi_k] E[e^{-\alpha U_k}] && \text{(} W \text{ and } \xi \text{ are independent)} \\
 &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(N(t) = n) \mu_\xi n E[e^{-\alpha U_1}] \\
 &= \mu_\xi E[e^{-\alpha U_1}] E[N(t)] \\
 &= \mu_\xi \left(\int_0^t e^{-\alpha u} \frac{1}{t} du \right) \lambda t \\
 &= \frac{\mu_\xi \lambda}{\alpha} (1 - e^{-\alpha t})
 \end{aligned}$$

This is also a generalization of the shot noise process in KP page 253/254.