

Branching processes in random environment (Juan Carlos Pardo, CIMAT)

Abstract

In this course, I will focus in branching models in random environment that describe the dynamics of a given population which are affected by random events. I will first start with the simplest model, the so-called Galton Watson processes in random environment, where I will survey some of their most important properties. In the sequel, I will introduce its continuous analogue, in space and time, using stochastic differential equations. I will define the most general continuous model but for simplicity I will focus the construction in the case where the branching mechanism is associated with a Brownian motion and the random environment is driven by a Brownian motion and a compound Poisson process.