



Seminari Informal de Matemàtiques de Barcelona

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Date: Wednesday, December 9th, 2020.
Schedule: 12:00, *virtual coffee break*; 12:20, talk.
Place: Zoom (the link will be posted on our website).
Language: English.

Title: Relationship between victorian eugenicists and slot machine free-game
- Branching Processes

Abstract: Originally, the first branching processes were studied to ensure the survival of surnames on Victorian Era aristocrat families. This use is actually futile as insufficient data, changing laws or simply name changes (ask Victoria's grandson, Edward) make this idealization irrelevant. Since then, branching processes have found uses beyond surnames, like studying general reproduction, or neutron counts on nuclear reactions. In this talk we will present multi-type branching processes and how they can be used to model and control populations of germs (or how to know if a slot machine is good).

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