

Change detection in INAR(p) processes and continuous branching models

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The p -th order INAR(p) process was introduced by Alzaid and Al-Osh in 1987 for $p = 1$, and by Du and Li in 1991 in the case when p is an arbitrary positive integer. It is a nonnegative integer-valued analogue of the AR(p) process and is widely used in time series analysis. The model has several parameters which influence the evolution of the process. If these parameters change during our observations, then the parameter estimations and forecasts based on the data will be wrong. Therefore it is important to detect changes in these parameters. In an earlier paper we introduced a test process for change detection in the case when the INAR(p) process has a unique stationary distribution. The main result is that the test process converges in distribution to a Brownian bridge. The consistency of the test and some properties of the change-point estimator have also been established. In this talk we aim to extend some of these results to a special continuous-state branching process, which will be obtained as the solution of a stochastic differential equation. The result is the first step in a project to construct the correct analogues of existing discrete-time change detection methods for continuous-state branching processes.