

Estimating Earnings Adjustment Frictions: Method and Evidence from the Social Security Earnings Test

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