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(12.30pm - 2.00pm) James Martin Seminar Room

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'The Effects of High Frequency Trading in a Multi-Asset Model'

Sandwiches and drinks will be provided

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ABSTRACT

Traditional market makers are losing their importance as automated systems have largely assumed the role of liquidity provision in markets. We update the model of Glosten and Milgrom (1985) to analyze this new world: we add multiple securities and introduce an automated market maker who prices order flow for all securities contemporaneously. This new automated participant transacts the majority of orders, sets prices that are more efficient, and increases informed and decreases uninformed traders' transaction costs. These results can explain the recent dominance of high frequency trading in US markets and the corresponding increase in trading volume and decrease in transaction costs for US stocks.





