

Comparing financial distress prediction models for listed non-financial firms : the case of Indonesia over 2001-2011 = Membandingkan model model prediksi kebangkrutan untuk perusahaan-perusahaan publik bidang non-keuangan : kasus Indonesia pada 2001-2011 / Deny Martin

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