

A Mean-Field Game network model for urban planning

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the **outward derivative** at the vertices.

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In the same way, at time t firms located at y hire workers to minimize the wage, i.e.

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[Villani et. al, works on optimal transport]: the equilibrium condition above is related to the following **Optimal Transport problem**:

$$C(m_1(t, \cdot), m_2(t, \cdot)) = \inf_{\gamma \in \Pi(m_1, m_2)} \int_{\Gamma \times \Gamma} c(x, y) d\gamma(x, y).$$

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\Rightarrow at any t , the equilibrium condition in the labour market is equivalent to find a pair of continuous functions $(g_1, g_2) = (-r(t, \cdot), w(t, \cdot))$ satisfying $g_1(x) + g_2(y) \leq c(x, y)$ and optimal for the dual problem.

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