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MICRO Research papers for the year 2017-18

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5. Small Finance Banks: Complimentary or Supplementary
6. Challenges and opportunities in Peer to Peer Lending
7. New perspectives from Analytics for credit appraisal
8. Cyber Frauds and remedial measures

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