

NOTATIONS IN BRIEF

The following are some national conventions used in this thesis:

$\int dt$:	All integrals without limits imply integration from $-\infty$ to ∞ , i.e., $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt$ unless otherwise specified
$\partial(n)$:	It refers to a sequence that is zero always except at $n = 1$ at where it is one
$\frac{\partial}{\partial x}$:	Partial differentiation operator with respect to x
x^*	:	Complex conjugate of x
x^T	:	Transpose of matrix x
x^{-1}	:	Inverse of matrix x
$ x $:	Determinant of matrix x
$E[.]$:	Expectation operator
$Re(.)$:	Real part of the argument
$Im(.)$:	Imaginary part of the argument
$\ln(x)$:	Natural logarithm of x
$f_{x;\theta}(x;\theta)$:	The notation expresses the dependency of the pdf of X on value of unknown parameter θ
$\binom{n}{p}$:	Binomial coefficient $\frac{n!}{p!(n-p)!}$