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#### ABSTRACT

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## ABBREVIATIONS AND NOTATION

## .1 Abbreviations

## .2 Mathematical Notation

## .2.1 General Notation

x	italicized, Roman or Greek letter, denotes scalar values
$oldsymbol{x}$	italicized, bold, lowercase Roman or Greek letter, denotes a column vector
X	italicized, bold, uppercase Roman or Greek letter, denotes a matrix
$oldsymbol{X}_{ij}$	denotes the component of matrix $\boldsymbol{X}$ occupying row $i$ and column $j$
$x \in (a, b)$	the value $x$ is within the interval such that $a < x < b$
$x \in (a, b]$	the value $x$ is within the interval such that $a < x \le b$
$x \in [a,b)$	the value $x$ is within the interval such that $a \le x < b$
$x \in [a,b]$	the value $x$ is within the interval such that $a \leq x \leq b$
$1_A(x)$	the indicator function,
	$1_{A}(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \in A \\ & \\ 0 & x \notin A \end{cases}.$

 $\mathbf{1}_n$  an column vector of n 1s

 $oldsymbol{I}$  the identity matrix

 $I_n$  the  $n \times n$  identity matrix

 $\boldsymbol{X}^{-1}$  the inverse matrix, i.e., the operator satisfying  $\boldsymbol{X}^{-1}\boldsymbol{X} = \boldsymbol{X}\boldsymbol{X}^{-1} = \boldsymbol{I}$ .

 $\boldsymbol{X}^{\top T}$  transpose, i.e. the operator satisfying  $X_{i,j} = X_{j,i} \ \forall \ i,j \in \mathbb{N}$ 

 $\otimes$  Kronecker product

## element-wise multiplication

#### .2.2 Sets

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 $\{x, y, z, \ldots\}$  the set comprising the elements of  $x, y, z, \ldots$ 

 $\{x,y,z\}\setminus x$  the set comprising the elements of y and  $z^1$ 

 $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^n$  the set comprising the elements of  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \ldots, x_n$ 

 $\mathbb{R}$  set of real numbers

 $\mathbb{N}$  set of natural numbers

 $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  x is a vector with n elements, all of which are real numbers

#### .2.3 Statistical Distributions

 $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$  the uni-variable Gaussian distribution with mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$ 

 $\mathcal{N}(\pmb{\mu}, \pmb{\Sigma})$  the multi-variable Gaussian distribution with mean vector  $\pmb{\mu}$  and variance-covariance matrix  $\pmb{\Sigma}$ 

 $\phi(x)$  the standard Gaussian density function

## .2.4 Specialized Notation

This notation refers to values defined explicitly in the context of this thesis.

- $\bullet$   $\mathcal{M}$  a model that takes input parameters to an (observable) state space
- $\bullet$  u an observable state space from which data is to be collected
- $\lambda$  a (model) parameter into model  $\mathcal{M}$
- o a Parameter-to-Observables (PtO) map, also denoted  $o(u(\lambda))$  or  $o(\lambda)$ , each component of which is a functional  $o_i : u(\lambda) \to \mathbb{R}$  on the observable state<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>In other words, the backslash removes an element (or a subset) from the original set.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>This map represents performing an individual experiment, which may consist of one or more observations (either in space or time). Arranging observational data into a vector defines the map.

- Q a Quantity of Interest (QoI) map, also denoted  $Q(\lambda)$ , which acts on observable data to transform the data into a scalar or vector quantity<sup>3</sup>
- d data representing an individual output of a (possibly vector-valued) QoI map for a particular parameter  $\lambda$ , i.e.  $Q(\lambda) = d$

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>For example, it may be the average of measurements encompassed in o. Technically, this map encompasses the following set of compositions:  $Q(o(u(\lambda)))$ .

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Thanks.

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#### FIRST CHAPTER

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# CHAPTER II SECOND CHAPTER

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