

## List of Acronyms

C <sup>2</sup> NLS	Corrected Convex Nonparametric Least Squares
CER	Convex Expectile Regression
CNLS	Convex Nonparametric Least Squares
CQR	Convex Quantile Regression
CRS	Constant Returns to Scale
DDF	Directional Distance Function
DEA	Data Envelopment Analysis
DMU	Decision-Making Unit
FDH	Free Disposal Hull
GAMS	General Algebraic Modeling System
MoM	Method of Moments
QLE	Quasi-likelihood Estimation
ICNLS	Isotonic Convex Nonparametric Least Square
ICER	Isotonic Convex Quantile Regression
ICQR	Isotonic Convex Expectile Regression
StoNED	Stochastic Nonparametric Envelopment of Data
StoNEZD	Stochastic Semi-nonparametric Envelopment of Z Variables Data
KDE	Kernel Density Estimation
VRS	Variable Returns to Scale