

Assignment for EP16: Missing Values in Clinical Research

Multiple Imputation

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Data

The **MIdata32** data comprise 1964 observations of 546 mothers measured repeatedly before and during pregnancy. All women were scheduled to have their weight measured once each trimester and were asked for their pre-pregnancy weight and BMI.

The dataset contains the following variables:

variable	explanation
id	subject identifier
gage	gestational age at measurement (gage = 0 refers to a measurement before pregnancy)
weight	maternal weight
visit_center	was intake performed at the study center? (0: no, 1: yes)
sex	child sex
gestbir	gestational age at birth
income	household income
kcal	average daily kcal intake (calculated from food frequency questionnaire)
bd_mom	birth date of the mother
smoke	smoking behaviour of the mother during pregnancy
bmi	self reported maternal BMI before pregnancy
trimester	trimester of measurement
parity	number of pregnancies of more than 20 weeks the mother had (nulliparity: this was the first pregnancy, $i=1$ child: mother had previous pregnancies)
preterm	was the baby born before 37 weeks of gestation (preterm) or later?
date_incl	date of inclusion in the study
stress	self reported stress score (0 – 5)
educ	educational level of the mother

Analysis model of interest

The analysis model of interest is a linear mixed model for **weight** with random intercept and slope for **gage**. Covariates are **smoke**, **kcal**, **stress**, **parity**, **educ** and **income**. **weight** is assumed to have a non-linear (quadratic) slope over time.