## Master Research Report: Multilevel Multivariate Imputation by Chained Equations through Bayesian Additive Regression Trees

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## 1 Introduction

## 1.1 Introducing missing data, multiple imputation & multilevel data structure

Incomplete data is a common challange in many fields of research. A common approach for dealing with incomplete data is to remove all missing values from the data. However, this could possibly lead to biased results [van Buuren, 2018, Kang, 2013].

- 1.2 Literature review (difficulty of imputing multilevel data)
- 1.3 Revelence of research
- 1.4 Research question
- 1.5 Hypotheses
- 2 Method
- 3 Results

## References

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