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# Master-level seminar & teamproject: Topics

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# Teamproject (Master degrees only)

## Prerequisites:

- A team of THREE students
- GOOD software engineering skills
- Background in data mining / machine learning
- Familiarity with statistics

M-DKE new: teamprojects belong to “Applied Data Science” **only**

# MLM\_t: Multi-Level Modeling for an mHealth study

Goal of this teamproject is the design and implementation of an environment for MLM (3-level) analysis on mHealth data. The teamproject encompasses the following:

- TASK 1: Exemplary tool, based on the multi-level model of Probst et al (2017)
- TASK 2: Data management utility for a collection of mHealth data
- TASK 3: Preparation utility for a stream of mHealth data, including removal of recordings with missing values
- TASK 4: Baseline-demonstrator that fits the model of Probst et al (2017) on a new dataset (prepared as of TASK 3)
- TASK 5: Extension of the baseline-demonstrator with a method that deals with missing values
- TASK 6: Evaluation protocol and report of the findings for Tasks 4 and 5, including statistical testing

## PREREQUISITES:

1. Data management
2. Software engineering in Python on R
3. **Familiarity with MLM (cf. seminar)**

T. Probst, R. Pryss, ..., J. Zimmermann. *Does tinnitus depend on time-of-day? An Ecological Momentary Assessment Study with the "TrackYourTinnitus" Application*, *Frontiers in Aging Neuroscience*, Aug 2017, <https://doi.org/10.3389/fnagi.2017.00253>

# MLM\_s: Seminar topics on multi-level modeling

This is a seminar assignment for **self-learning**:

- 1) Read the first 8 chapters of the book of Singer & Willet (2003)
- 2) Discuss how the simple MLM of chapter 4 can be applied on the data of Probst et al (2017) and elaborate on limitations
- 3) Elaborate on how Probst et al (2017) modeled TIME, considering the perspectives of chapter 4, chapter 5 and chapter 6
- 4) Interpret the findings of Probst et al (2017) using the methods of chapters 7 and 8

Suggest one paper that extends the MLM of Singer & Willet (2003) with respect to:

- 5) Correction for multiple testing (cf. Chapter 4, esp. section 5)
- 6) Dealing with missing values

DELIVERABLE: Report with (1) discussion on items 2, 3, 4 and (2) a solution on either item 5 or 6.

J. Singer, J. Willet. *Applied Longitudinal Data Analysis – Modeling Change and Event Occurrence*, Oxford University Press, 2003

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Thank you very much!

Questions ?