# UCONN <br> Application of Planned Missingness Using 7 Datasets Without a Single Linking Test 

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## Background

- Planned missingness designs minimize the time, financial, and participant fatigue demands of completing many measures
- Often all participants complete a linking test and one or more other tests. Incomplete data for the other tests is distributed across participants


## Sample

- 3,927 children ages 6 - 18 from 7 standardization and linking samples collected by Pearson Assessments
- 6 intelligence tests and 3 achievement tests

|  | KABC2 | WJ3 | WISC3 | WISC4 | WISC5 | DAS2 | KTEA2 | WIAT2 | WIAT3 |
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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { KABC2 } \\ & \text { XBA } \end{aligned}$ | 347 | 89 | 123 | 58 | - | - | - | - | - |
| KABC2 <br> KTEA2 | 2,223 | - | - | - | - | - | 2,223 | - | - |
| WISC4 DAS2 | - | - | - | 202 | - | 202 | - | - | - |
| DAS2/ <br> WIAT2 | - | - | - | - | - | 370 | - | 370 | - |
| WISC4 WIAT2 | - | - | - | 532 | - | - | - | 532 | - |
| WISC5 WIAT3 | - | - | - | - | 181 | - | - | 181 | 181 |
| WISC5 KABC2 | 88 | - | - | - | 88 | - | - | - | - |
| Total | 2,658 | 89 | 123 | 792 | 269 | 572 | 2,223 | 1,083 | 181 |

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## Procedures \& Findings

- Data resembled a planned missingness design because participants did not complete all tests
- But there was no single linking test and missingness was not planned prior to data collection (exception is KABC XBA)
- Samples were "linked" to each other through the same tests being used in other samples
- 79 and 87 missing data patterns in the broad math and broad writing models respectively
- $68 \%$ completed KABC2 and KTEA2, 30\% WISC3,4,5, 28\% WIAT 2,3, 14\% DAS2, 2\% WJ3
- Missing data was handled with maximum likelihood estimation
- Model fit was acceptable to good and results were consistent with prior research
- RMSEA $=0.02$, $\mathrm{SRMR}=0.09, \mathrm{CFI}=0.96$, TLI $=0.95$ in writing and $0.96=$ math models
- Replicability: Monte Carlo simulations with the 3 most common missing data patterns did not successfully run
- Replicability: re-analyzed models using subsets of tests. $75 \%$ of significant paths were very similar (range $\beta$ s difference $=0.00-0.14$ )
- Linking the tests and samples allowed us to include a wide breadth of tests and indicators of each latent construct


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