

Calorie Consumption During Bicycle Work: A Statistical Analysis of an Incomplete Dataset

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1 Introduction

This project aimed to examine data originally gathered by Macdonald (1914) and conveyed to us by Greenwood and TF (1918), consisting of observations on seven people performing work using a bicycle ergometer, although our current dataset appears to include extra values and data not found in Greenwood and TF (1918), though these values may indeed be present in Macdonald (1914), access to which could not be obtained in a timely manner. In the body of this work it shall be assumed that every row in our dataset represents a separate individual, giving a total of 24 separate individuals across 24 rows. The dataset includes three separate measurements - weight of the individuals, calories per hour spent by individuals which serves as a measure of workout intensity, and calories spent during the task.

##	weight	calhour	calories
## 1	43.7	19.0	NA
## 2	43.7	43.0	279
## 3	43.7	56.0	346
## 4	54.6	13.0	NA
## 5	54.6	19.0	NA
## 6	54.6	43.0	280
## 7	54.6	56.0	335
## 8	55.7	13.0	NA
## 9	55.7	26.0	212
## 10	55.7	34.5	244
## 11	55.7	43.0	285
## 12	58.8	13.0	NA
## 13	58.8	43.0	298
## 14	60.5	19.0	NA
## 15	60.5	43.0	317

```
## 16 60.5 56.0 347
## 17 61.9 13.0 NA
## 18 61.9 19.0 216
## 19 61.9 34.5 265
## 20 61.9 43.0 306
## 21 61.9 56.0 348
## 22 66.7 13.0 NA
## 23 66.7 43.0 324
## 24 66.7 56.0 352
```

2 Methods and procedure

2.1 Data exploration

A set of summary statistics for the dataset is presented below. It can be immediately seen that the response calories variable is missing in eight cases and is the only incomplete variable in the dataset. The mean and median values for all variables in the dataset are very similar to each other which indicates a symmetric distribution. A matrix of summary plots for the dataset is presented in Figure 2. We can clearly see what appears to be an extremely strong positive correlation between calories and workout intensity (0.95), and a very small positive correlation between calories and weight(0.11).

The distributions of the values are plotted as boxplots in Fig. 1. Note that the response variable is plotted with missing values excluded in all of these figures, thus despite expecting an approximately similar distribution between workout intensity and calories variables, the calories distribution is shifted upwards due to the missing values.

```
##          weight calhour calories
## nbr.val      24.0000 24.0000 16.0000
## nbr.null      0.0000  0.0000  0.0000
## nbr.na        0.0000  0.0000  8.0000
## min          43.7000 13.0000 212.0000
## max          66.7000 56.0000 352.0000
## range        23.0000 43.0000 140.0000
## sum        1381.0000 817.0000 4754.0000
## median       58.8000 38.7500 302.0000
## mean        57.5417 34.0417 297.1250
## SE.mean      1.3453  3.3396 11.4669
## CI.mean.0.95  2.7829  6.9085 24.4412
## var         43.4338 267.6721 2103.8500
## std.dev      6.5904 16.3607 45.8677
## coef.var      0.1145  0.4806  0.1544
```

We check the signifiacne of the two positive correlations we have found using Pearson's correlation (using Central Limit Theorem as the dataset contains around 20 rows). Here $H_0 : correlation = 0$; $H1 : correlation \neq 0$; 95%CI.

```
##
## Pearson's product-moment correlation
##
## data: muscledata_edit$calhour and muscledata_edit$calories
## t = 12, df = 14, p-value = 2e-08
## alternative hypothesis: true correlation is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## 0.8615 0.9832
```

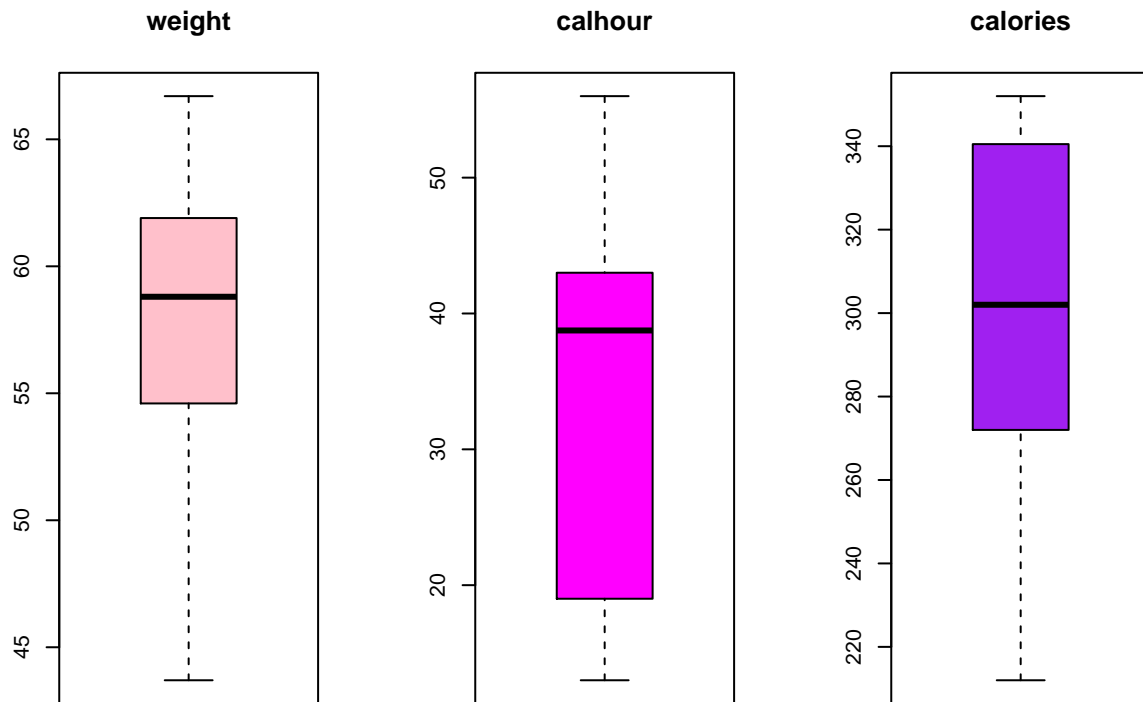


Figure 1: Boxplots for the dependent variables weight, calhour and independent variable calories.

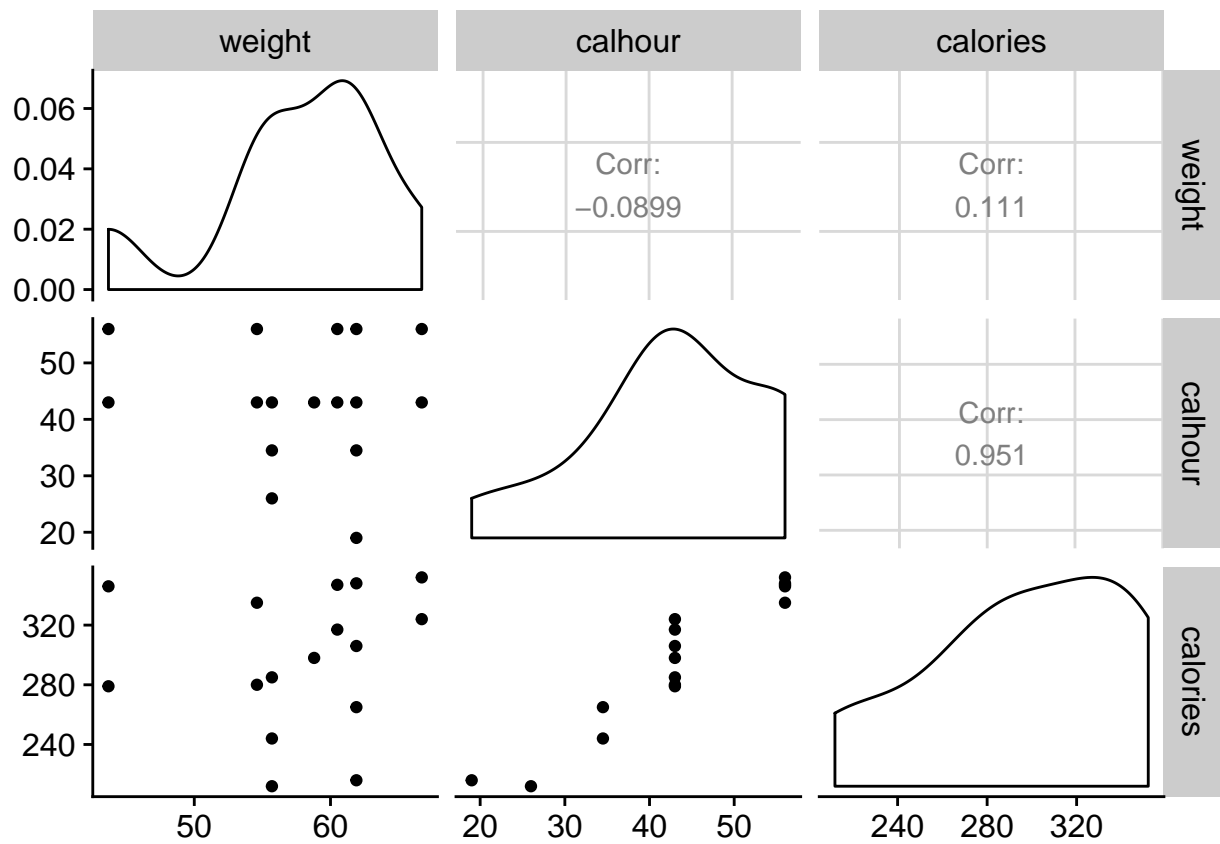


Figure 2: A summary statistics plot of the dataset using the ggplot command.

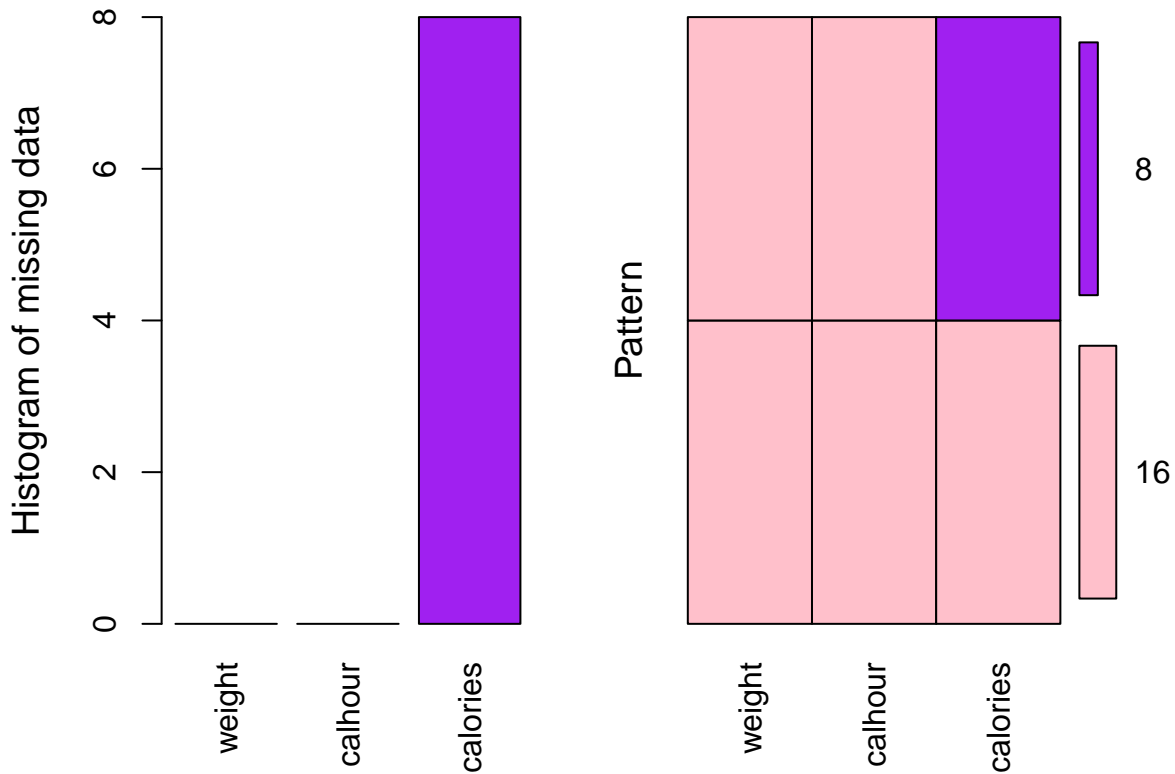


Figure 3: Pattern of missing data across variables

```
## sample estimates:
##      cor
## 0.9511

##
## Pearson's product-moment correlation
##
## data:  muscledata_edit$weight and muscledata_edit$calories
## t = 0.42, df = 14, p-value = 0.7
## alternative hypothesis: true correlation is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## -0.4068  0.5753
## sample estimates:
##      cor
## 0.1114
```

Clearly we reject the null hypothesis with regards to workout intensity and calories and accept it with regards to weight and calories. This indicates that there is a non-spurious correlation between workout intensity and calories in the population.

2.2 Missing data exploration

A histogram of missing data is shown in Fig. 3. We confirm our previous observation that all the missing values are located in our response variable.

Fig. 4A and C we see that the missing data approximately evenly distributed among the different weight variables. In Fig. 4B and D we see that the missing data distribution is extremely biased towards the lower

end of the range with regards to workout intensity. This may be because of the difficulty in measuring heat production at lower exercise intensity - in other words, the missingness is likely systematic due to technical noise. Importantly, the missingness appears to depend only on an observed variable in this study - the calories. Thus, this suggests “Missing-at-Random” as the most probable missing data mechanism, allowing us to proceed with applying missing data strategies - particularly MI and IPW.

2.3 Complete case analysis

First we need to select the best linear model to use for CC - we can do this using stepwise AIC.

Using the stepwise method, we conclude that adding weight, calhour and interaction to a model that already has the other possible components results in a significant increase in explanatory power. (note to group: was explained in last 10 slides of chapter 1, he'll probably ask about this if we don't mention it since using the anova method results in a different interpretation).

```
## Start:  AIC=123.4
## calories ~ 1
##
##           Df Sum of Sq  RSS   AIC
## + calhour  1      28544 3014  87.8
## <none>                        31558 123.4
## + weight   1         392 31166 125.2
##
## Step:  AIC=87.81
## calories ~ calhour
##
##           Df Sum of Sq  RSS   AIC
## + weight   1      1234  1780  81.4
## <none>                        3014  87.8
## - calhour  1      28544 31558 123.4
##
## Step:  AIC=81.39
## calories ~ calhour + weight
##
##           Df Sum of Sq  RSS   AIC
## + weight:calhour  1       782   998  74.1
## <none>                        1780  81.4
## - weight           1      1234  3014  87.8
## - calhour          1     29386 31166 125.2
##
## Step:  AIC=74.13
## calories ~ calhour + weight + calhour:weight
##
##           Df Sum of Sq  RSS   AIC
## <none>                        998  74.1
## - calhour:weight  1       782  1780  81.4
```

Thus we deduce that the best-fitting model is:

$$calories_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 * weight_i + \beta_2 * calhour_i + \beta_3 * (weight_i * calhour_i) + \epsilon_i$$

The R summary for this model:

```
##
## Call:
```

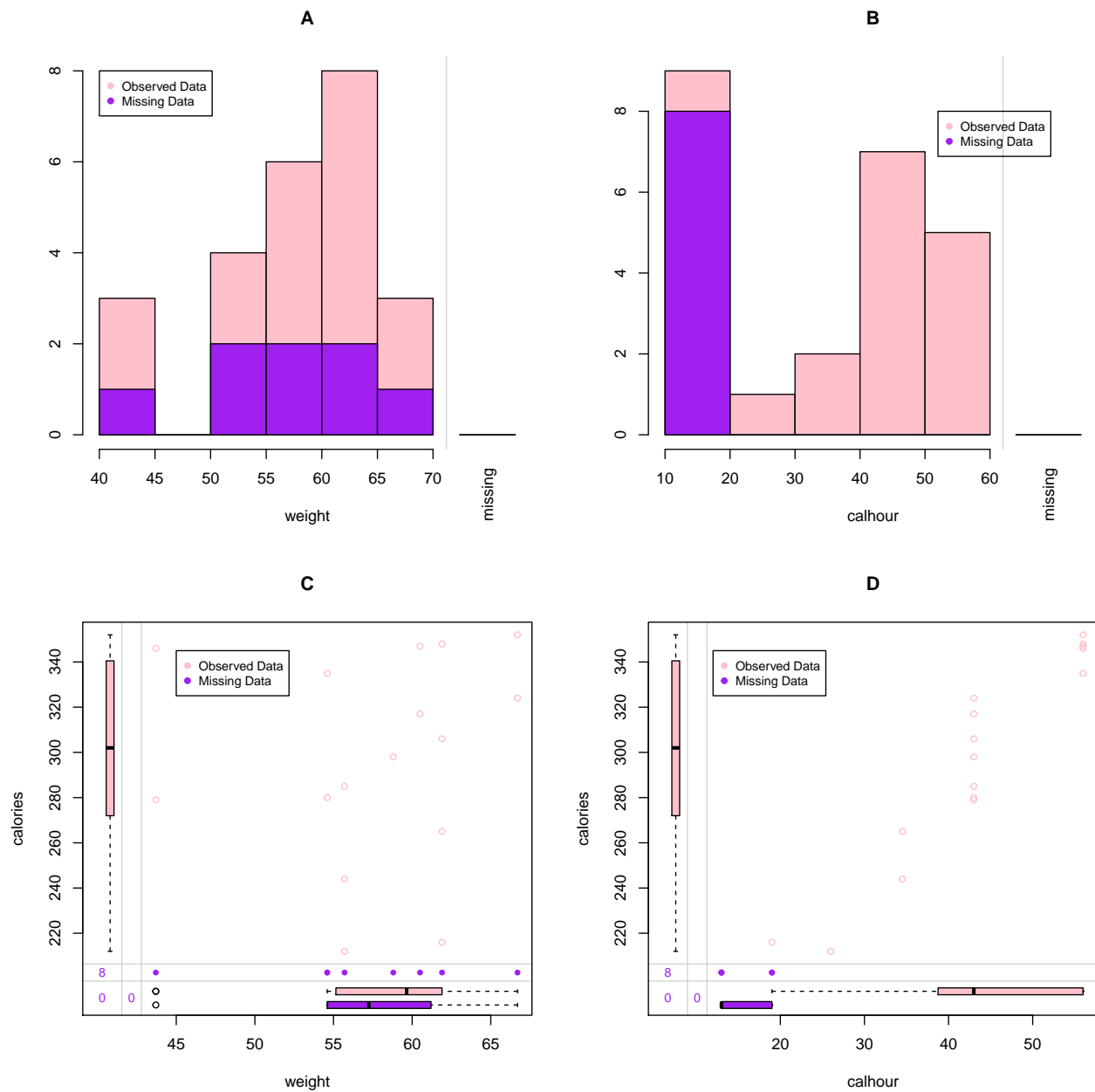


Figure 4: Histograms of the observed and missing data as well as marginplots depicting histograms and correlations.

```
## lm(formula = calories ~ weight + calhour + weight * calhour,
##     data = muscledata_edit)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -12.48  -5.70  -1.04   2.39  16.95
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)   -330.884    124.674   -2.65  0.02102 *
## weight         7.728      2.106     3.67  0.00321 **
## calhour       11.787      2.548     4.63  0.00058 ***
## weight:calhour -0.132      0.043    -3.07  0.00977 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 9.12 on 12 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.968, Adjusted R-squared:  0.96
## F-statistic: 123 on 3 and 12 DF, p-value: 2.89e-09
```

Let's try to explain heat production in function of weight and intensity of the workout, whilst allowing for interaction of the 2 predictors (whilst increasing intensity of workout, a higher weight could result in a different speed of heat production increase):

This plot telling us that there is a decrease in coefficient between calhour and calories as calhour is increasing.

Using the summary method, we conclude that adding weight, calhour and interaction to a model that already has the other possible components results in a significant increase in explanatory power.

```
##
## Pearson's product-moment correlation
##
## data: muscledata_edit$weight and muscledata_edit$calories
## t = 0.42, df = 14, p-value = 0.7
## alternative hypothesis: true correlation is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
##  -0.4068  0.5753
## sample estimates:
##      cor
## 0.1114
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = calories ~ weight + calhour + weight * calhour,
##     data = muscledata_edit)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -12.48  -5.70  -1.04   2.39  16.95
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```

Complete Case Effects Plot

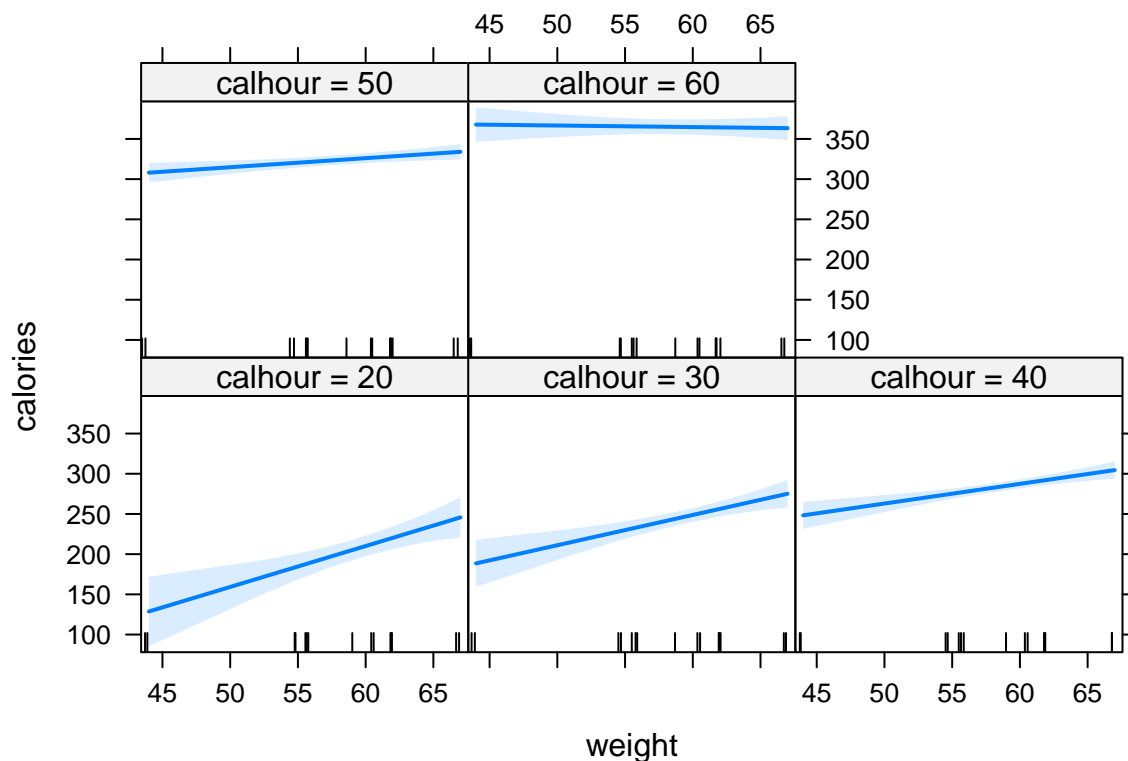


Figure 5: The All Effects plot for the Complete Case linear model.

```
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 9.12 on 12 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.968, Adjusted R-squared:  0.96
## F-statistic: 123 on 3 and 12 DF, p-value: 2.89e-09
```

2.4 Multiple imputation analysis

Put in a short desc of multiple imputation here

First we use the PMM method:

```
##               est      se      t      df Pr(>|t|)      lo 95
## (Intercept)  192.09281 160.15785 1.19940  9.293  0.2601 -168.4778
## weight       0.03595   2.74334 0.01311  9.339  0.9898  -6.1358
## calhour      1.39645   3.56650 0.39154 11.109  0.7028  -6.4440
## weight:calhour 0.01919  0.06109 0.31416 11.152  0.7592  -0.1151
##
##               hi 95 nmis      fmi lambda
## (Intercept)  552.6634  NA  0.5645 0.4799
## weight       6.2077   0  0.5621 0.4774
## calhour      9.2368   0  0.4692 0.3815
## weight:calhour 0.1534  NA  0.4669 0.3792
```

What if we use the Bayesian norm method?

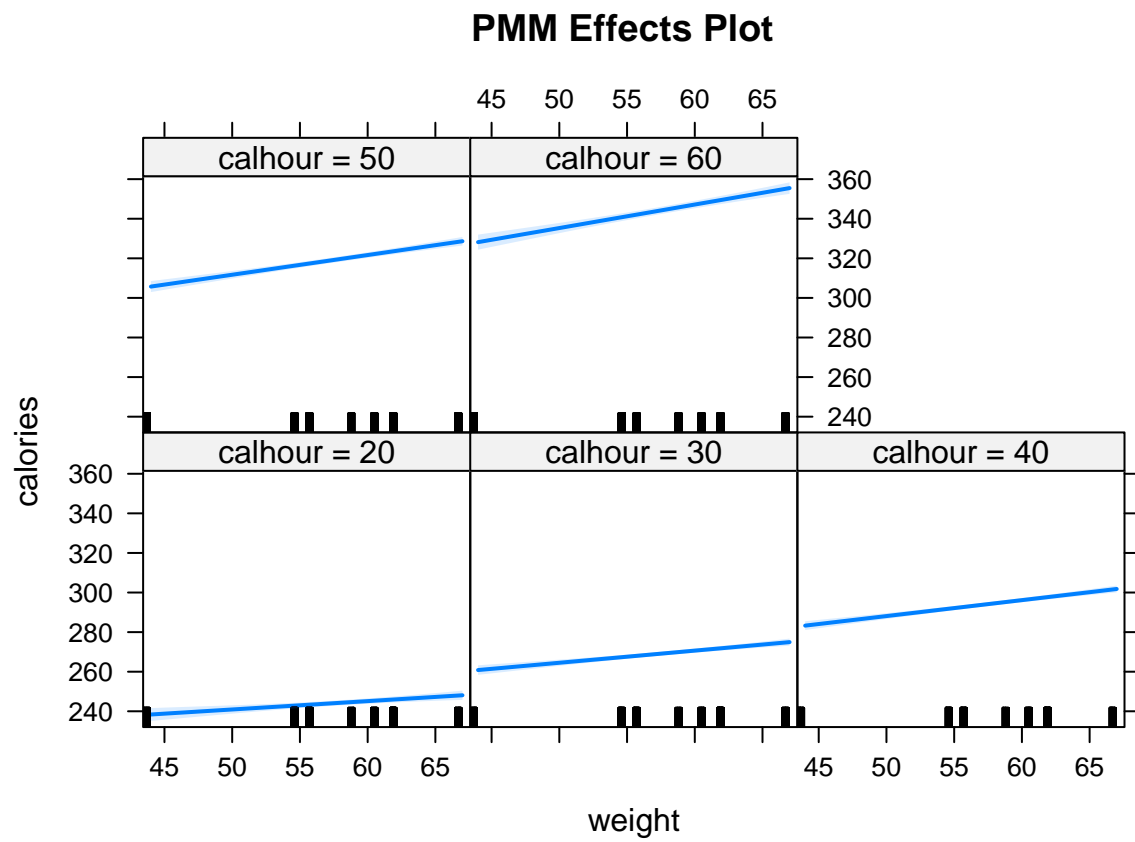


Figure 6: The All Effects plot for MI using the PMM method.



Figure 7: The strip plot of PMM data.

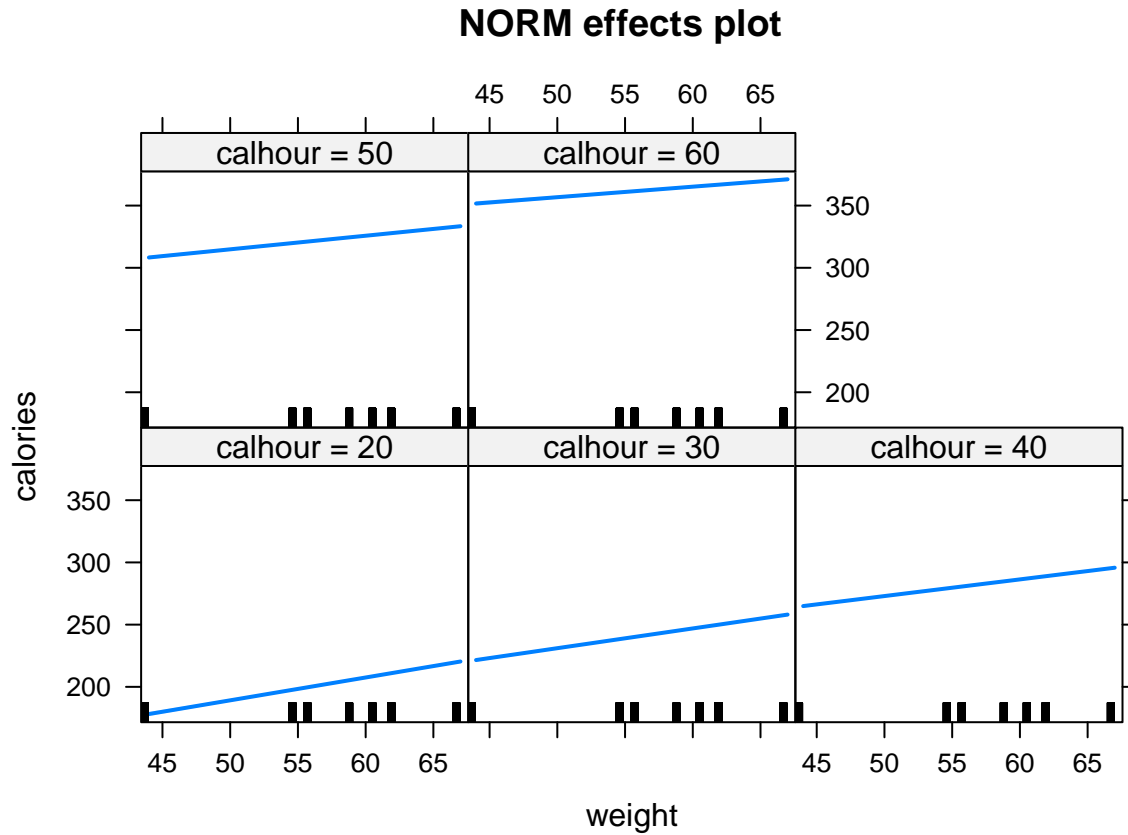


Figure 8: The All Effects plot for MI using the Bayesian NORM method.

```
##               est      se      t      df Pr(>|t|)      lo 95
## (Intercept)  -10.74590 86.00904 -0.1249 7.189  0.90399 -213.0474
## weight       2.32374  1.48170  1.5683 7.141  0.15996  -1.1660
## calhour      5.41953  1.87557  2.8895 8.944  0.01801   1.1727
## weight:calhour -0.02463 0.03228 -0.7628 8.890  0.46537  -0.0978
##               hi 95 nmis      fmi lambda
## (Intercept)  191.55557  NA 0.6752 0.5959
## weight       5.81343   0 0.6777 0.5986
## calhour      9.66639   0 0.5828 0.4989
## weight:calhour 0.04855  NA 0.5857 0.5019
```

2.5 IPW analysis

```
## Warning: In lm.fit(x, y, offset = offset, singular.ok = singular.ok, ...) :
## extra argument 'family' will be disregarded
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = r ~ calhour, data = IPWanal_muscledata, family = binomial)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -0.299 -0.203 -0.153  0.115  0.701
##
```

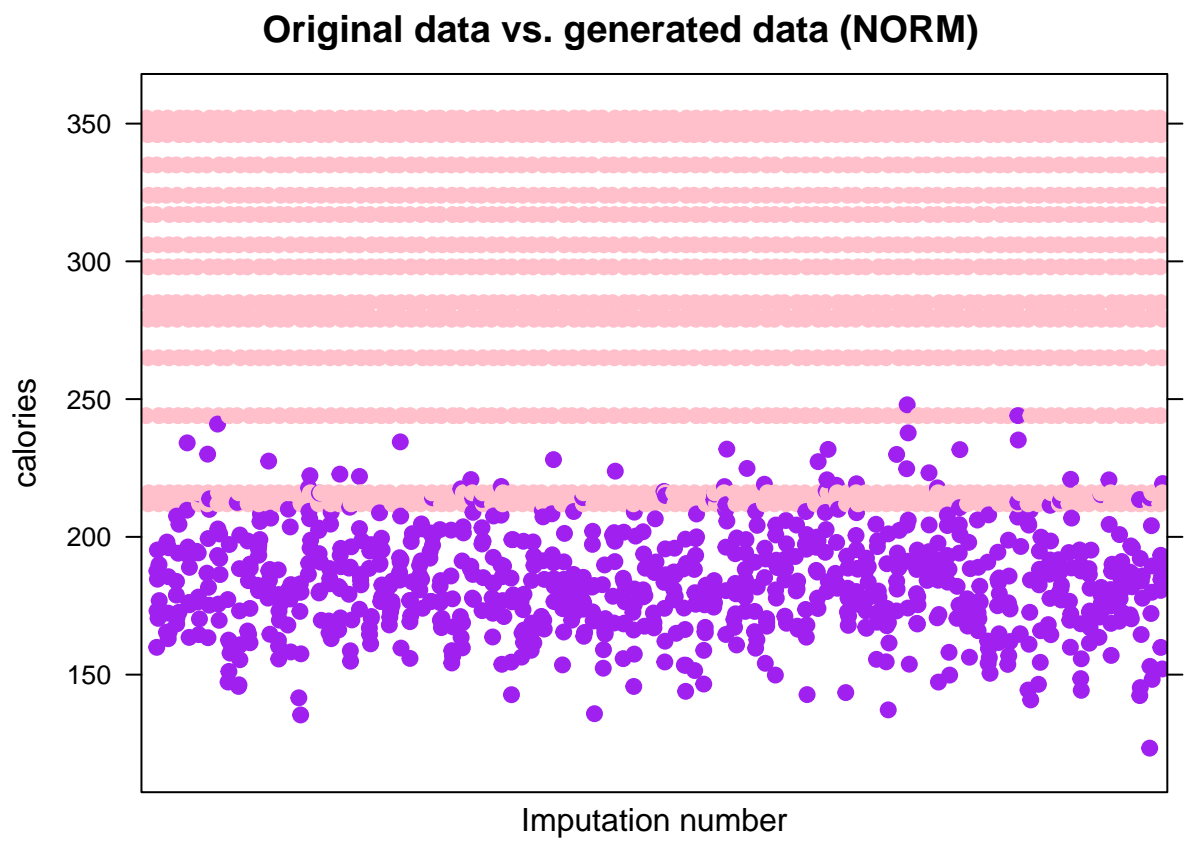


Figure 9: The strip plot of Bayesian NORM data.

```
## Coefficients:
##           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  -0.1646    0.1318  -1.25    0.22
## calhour       0.0244    0.0035   6.97 5.4e-07 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.275 on 22 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.688, Adjusted R-squared:  0.674
## F-statistic: 48.6 on 1 and 22 DF, p-value: 5.37e-07

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = calories ~ weight + calhour + weight * calhour,
##     data = IPWanal_muscledata, weights = muscledata$w)
##
## Weighted Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -91.0  -40.5  -11.0   20.1  129.8
##
## Coefficients:
##           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  -353.7928   129.1577  -2.74  0.01796 *
## weight         8.1131     2.1698   3.74  0.00283 **
## calhour       12.1321     2.6513   4.58  0.00064 ***
## weight:calhour  -0.1378     0.0445  -3.10  0.00926 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 68.2 on 12 degrees of freedom
## (8 observations deleted due to missingness)
## Multiple R-squared:  0.97, Adjusted R-squared:  0.962
## F-statistic: 128 on 3 and 12 DF, p-value: 2.25e-09
```

We can take a look at the AIC values of the complete case and IPW models to compare:

```
## [1] 121.5
## [1] 121.1
```

3 Discussion

Due to the NA values, we conducted a full model analysis with a complete case and three NA comparisons (you can write this better) models. Because the NA values are not evenly distributed among calhour, we decided to try different approaches for NA handling.

PMM generates the data according to the pattern in the observed ones. In our cases, the data is discretized by the body weight, so PMM generated the data discretized as well. In norm method, the data is generated based on normal distribution.

In the following three graphs we can see that the behaviour of the interaction factor vs. calories is similar for the CC model and the two models created under MI. These three graphs are relevant to see how the two different methods chosen in MI generate the new values.

IPW assigns weights to each observation so it uses already available ones. Since all calories values in calhour 13 are missing, the method cannot assign a weight. No value can represent this group, other missing values

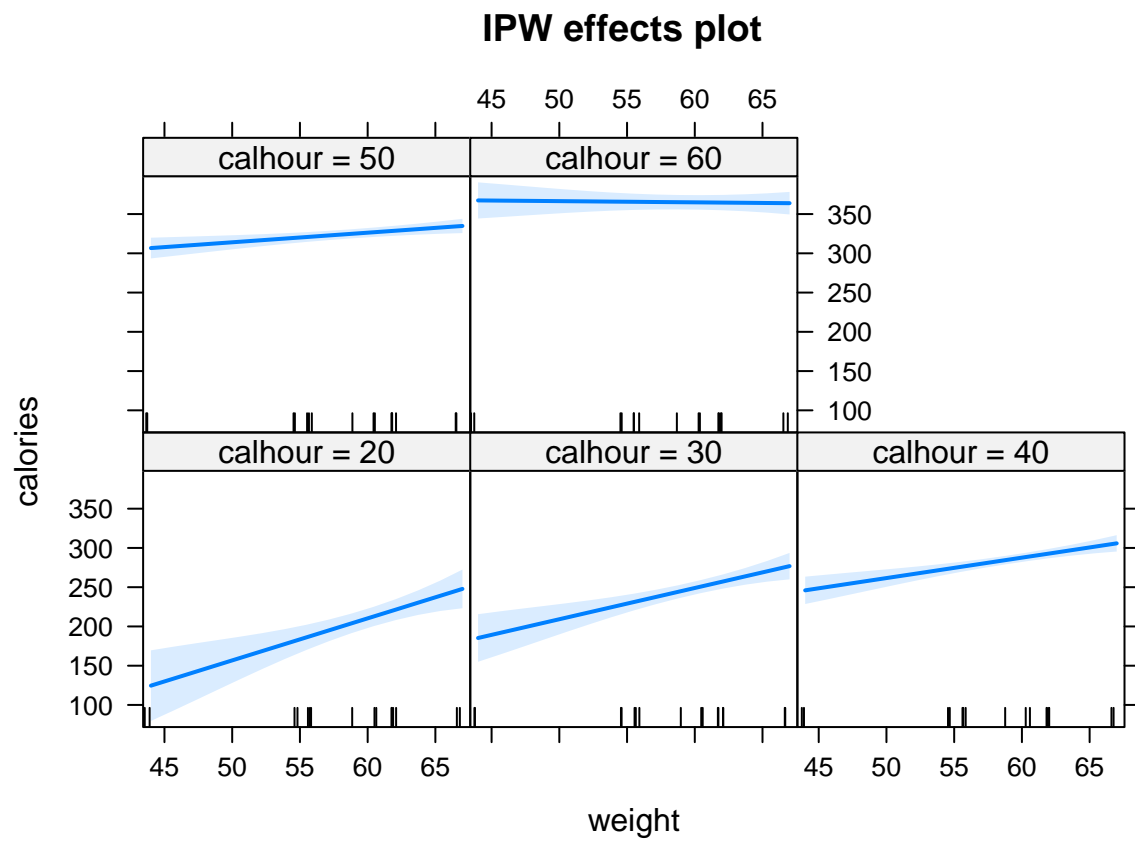


Figure 10: The All Effects plot for our IPW-modelled data.

fall into calhour 19, while a higher weight is assigned to the only available data in calhour 19. so the only difference between cc and ipw is only based on this value, thus the graph is the mostly the same for both CC and IPW and that's why we chose to represent both with the same graph.

```
## Warning: Removed 8 rows containing non-finite values (stat_smooth).
```

```
## Warning: Removed 8 rows containing missing values (geom_point).
```

```
## Warning: Removed 8 rows containing non-finite values (stat_smooth).
```

```
## Warning: Removed 8 rows containing missing values (geom_point).
```



Because there are no calorie values for calhour 13, there are no data to attribute weights to. So, IPW will make a difference only for calhour 19. This gives us a slightly better model with IPW than complete case.

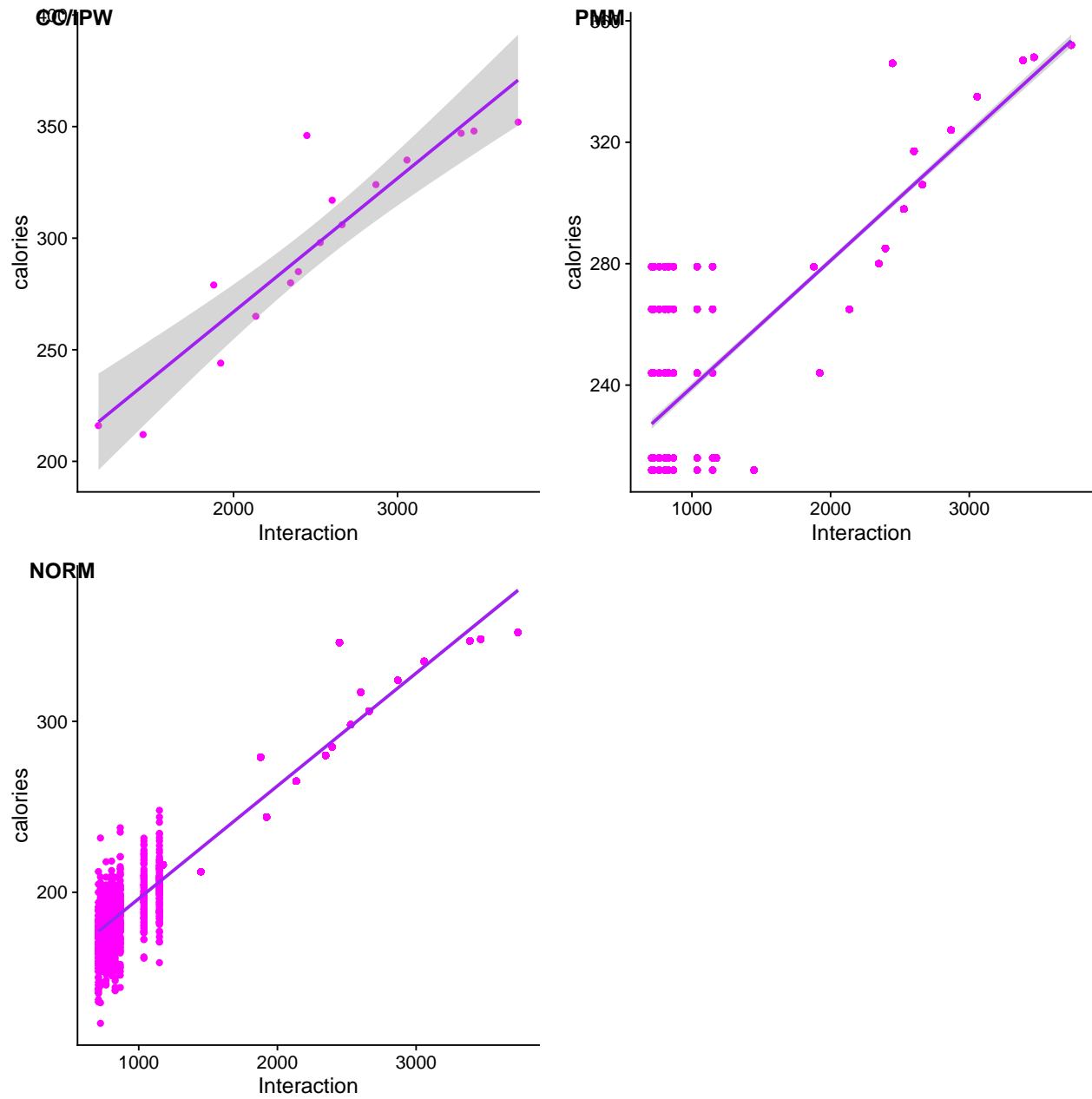
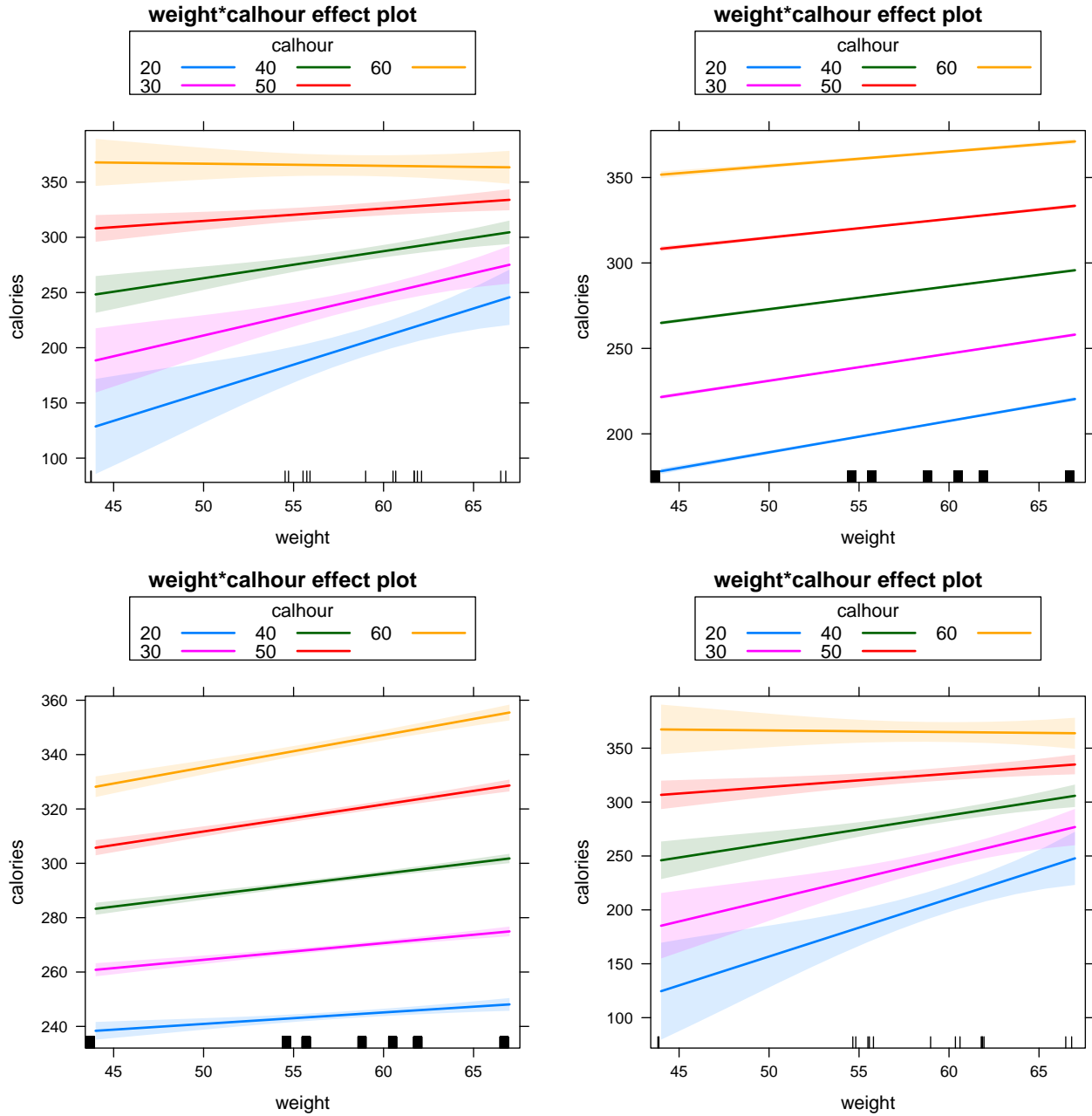


Figure 11: Interaction scatterplots for the normal NA-excluded dataset, values fitted using NORM and values fitted using PMM.



4 Conclusion

In our case, IPW doesn't come as an improvement in comparison to the CC model. and using standard error

The missing data is correlated with the calhour - intensity of the exercise - hence there is something wrong with the experimental design. Such as the way they measured heat production, so they could not accurately measure calorie burning. While we have no data for low calhour values, attributing weights to the values we have is not workable for the 13 calhour data point. That being said, the MI approach provides a more robust estimates for missing data.

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