Marathon Performance Analysis: Impact of Different Weather Conditions on Runners

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Abstract

Introduction

Marathon running is a popular sport that attracts millions of participants worldwide. The completion time of a marathon is influenced by various factors, including weather conditions. In this report, we analyze the impact of different weather conditions on marathon performance across the lifespan in both men and women using data from five major marathons: Boston, NYC, Chicago, Twin Cities, and Grandmas.

Data Description

Two datasets are used in this analysis: Marathon Data and Course Record Data. Those two datasets were combined to form a comprehensive dataset for analysis.

Marathon Data

The Marathon Data contains information about the average completion record percentage grouped by age and sex of runners in five major marathons: Boston, NYC, Chicago, Twin Cities, and Grandmas. The dataset includes the following columns:

Parameter	Coding details
Race	$0=\mbox{Boston Marathon}$, $1=\mbox{Chicago Marathon}$, $2=\mbox{New York City Marathon}$, $3=$
	Twin Cities Marathon (Minneapolis, MN) , $4 = Grandma's Marathon (Duluth, MN)$
Year	Year of the marathon
Sex/Gender	0 = Identified as Female, $1 = Identified as Male$
Flag	White = WBGT $<10^{\circ}$ C , Green = WBGT $10\text{-}18^{\circ}$ C , Yellow = WBGT $18\text{-}23^{\circ}$ C , Red =
-	WBGT 23-28°C , Black = WBGT $>$ 28°C
% CR	Percent off current course record for gender
$\mathrm{Td},\ ^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$	Dry bulb temperature in Celsius
Tw , $^{\circ}C$	Wet bulb temperature in Celsius
$\%\mathrm{rh}$	Percent relative humidity
Tg , $^{\circ}C$	Black globe temperature in Celsius
${ m SR} \ { m W/m^2}$	Solar radiation in Watts per meter squared
DP	Dew Point in Celsius
\mathbf{Wind}	Wind speed in Km/hr
WBGT	Wet Bulb Globe Temperature

Note that the variable WBGT is actually a composite index that combines the effects of Td, Tw, and Tg, which means we can ignore the three variables when analyzing the data.

$$WBGT = 0.7 \times Tw + 0.2 \times Tg + 0.1 \times Td$$

This data contains of 11073 observations and 12 variables. The data documented the 5 major races form year 1993 to 2016, and each observation represents the average performance of a specific age in a particular race during a specific year. It should be noted that in this dataset, only one set of weather data is recorded for each race.

Course Record Data

This dataset contains the course record for each race grouped by sex documented in the Marathon Data. The dataset includes the following columns:

Parameter	Coding details
Race	${\bf B}={\bf Boston~Marathon}$, ${\bf C}={\bf Chicago~Marathon}$, ${\bf NY}={\bf New~York~City~Marathon}$, ${\bf TC}$
	= Twin Cities Marathon (Minneapolis, MN) , D = Grandma's Marathon (Duluth, MN)
Sex/Gender	0 = Identified as Female, $1 = Identified as Male$
Year	Year of the marathon
\mathbf{CR}	Current course record for gender

Different from the Marathon Data, the CR in this dataset is in hours, which means we can calculate the completion time of each runner by multiplying the CR percentage in the Marathon Data with the CR in this dataset.

Data Preprocessing

Data Manipulation

For clarity, we firstly rename the Race column in the Marathon Data as well as the Course Record Data to the full name of the marathon. And since we are using two datasets, we need to merge them based on the Race, Year, and Sex columns. After merging, we now have a united dataset that contains 15 variables and 11073 observations in total.

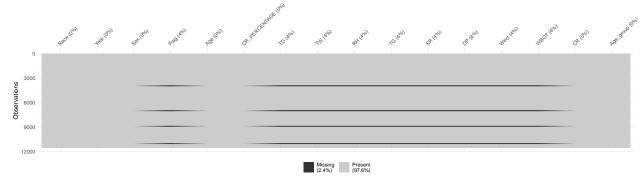
And then, condiering of the nature of the variables and the analysis we are going to perform, we convert the Year, Race, Sex, and Flag columns to factors. We also created a new column Age_group by grouping the Age column into 10-year intervals. This step is essential trying to factorize the Age column.

Most importantly, we would like to convert the CR in the Course Record Data to seconds. The process is simple, we first convert the CR to a period object and then convert it to seconds. After that, we can calculate the completion time of each runner by multiplying the CR percentage in the Marathon Data with the CR in this dataset. The calculation formula is as follows:

$$CR_{adjusted} = (1 + CR_{PERCENTAGE} \times 0.01) \times CR$$

Data Quality Check

Before we start the analysis, we need to check the data quality. We first check for missing values and patterns in the dataset. The missing values are visualized using the vis_miss function from the naniar package. The plot shows that there are missing values in the weather related columns, and this missingness seems to have a very clear pattern. Based on this pattern, we can assume boldly that the missing values are not missing at random, but are related to specific races.



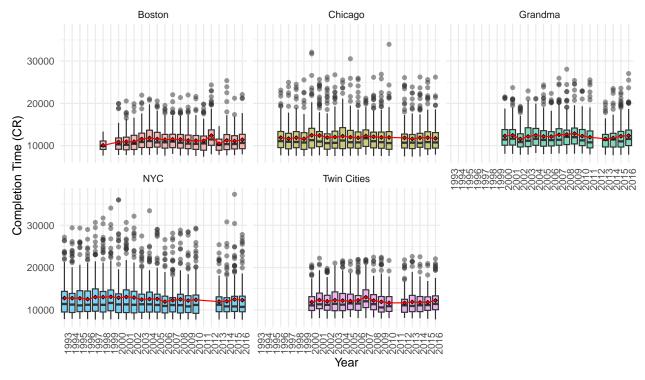
In order to veryify our assumption, we calculate the missing percentage of weather data in each marathon by year. The table below shows that the missing percentage of most of the races are 0, however, for races held in 2011 (Chicago, NYC, and Twin Cities) as well as the one held in 2012 (Grandmas), the missing percentage is 100%. This confirms our assumption that the missing values are related to specific races. It would be a wise choice to remove all of those races from our dataset. To be noted that the NA value in the table means there are no races held in that year.

Table 3: Missing Percentage of Weather Data in Each Marathon by Year

Year	Boston	Chicago	Grandma	NYC	Twin Cities
1993	0	0	NA	0	0
1994	0	0	NA	0	0
1995	0	0	NA	0	0
1996	0	0	NA	0	0
1997	0	0	NA	0	0
1998	0	0	NA	0	0
1999	0	0	NA	0	0
2000	0	0	0	0	0
2001	0	0	0	0	0
2002	0	0	0	0	0
2003	0	0	0	0	0
2004	0	0	0	0	0
2005	0	0	0	0	0
2006	0	0	0	0	0
2007	0	0	0	0	0
2008	0	0	0	0	0
2009	0	0	0	0	0
2010	0	0	0	0	0
2011	0	1	0	1	1
2012	0	0	1	0	0
2013	0	0	0	0	0
2014	0	0	0	0	0
2015	0	0	0	0	0
2016	0	0	0	0	0

And we also want to check the performance distribution of each race by year, since although the weather condition may vary from year to year, the performance of runners may not change significantly within the same track. As we can see in the plot below, despite some disturbances, the performance of runners tend to stay stable over the years. The difference in performance might be due to the different weather conditions in different years. Overall, the stability of the performance indicates that the dataset is reliable for analysis.

CR Distribution by Year and Race



Another factor might affect the result of the analysis is age. In a balanced dataset, we would expect the number of participants in each age group to be roughly the same. To check this, we count the number of participants in each age group for each races. The table shows a pattern that for each race, participants between age 20 to 79 are the most common and also balanced, while the number of participants in the 10-19, 80-89 and 90-99 age groups are relatively small. This suggests that the inference results obtained from the 10-19, 80-89 and 90-99 age groups may not be as reliable as those obtained from the 20-79 age groups. Moreover, the number of participants in the 90-99 age group is extremely small, so we decide to merge it with the 80-89 age group to become the 80-99 age group.

Similarly, we would hope that participants' gender is balanced in the dataset. From the table below, we can tell the Female:Male portion is roughly equal to 1 in all of the races, which is a good feature for our analysis.

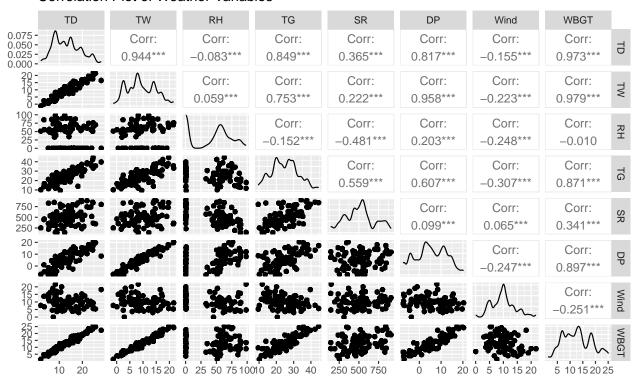
Table 4: Number of Participants by Age Group, Sex and Race

Age Group	Boston , N = 2,088	Chicago , N = 2,427	Grandma , N = 1,884	NYC , N = 2,799	Twin Cities, N = 1,875
Group	2,000	2,421	1,004	2,133	
Age_group					
0-9	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0(0%)
10-19	67(3.2%)	171~(7.0%)	167~(8.9%)	88 (3.1%)	140~(7.5%)
20-29	360 (17%)	400 (16%)	320 (17%)	440 (16%)	319 (17%)
30-39	360 (17%)	400 (16%)	320(17%)	440 (16%)	320(17%)
40-49	360 (17%)	400 (16%)	320(17%)	440 (16%)	320(17%)
50-59	359 (17%)	400 (16%)	320~(17%)	440 (16%)	319 (17%)
60-69	337 (16%)	391 (16%)	286 (15%)	438 (16%)	294 (16%)
70-79	215 (10%)	237(9.8%)	134 (7.1%)	378 (14%)	146~(7.8%)
80-89	30 (1.4%)	28 (1.2%)	17 (0.9%)	130 (4.6%)	17(0.9%)
90-99	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	5 (0.2%)	0 (0%)
Sex	(1 - 7	(/	()	()	(' ' ')
Female	984~(47%)	1,150~(47%)	880 (47%)	1,337 (48%)	867 (46%)

Age Group	Boston , N = 2,088	Chicago, $N = 2,427$	Grandma , N = 1,884	NYC, N = 2,799	Twin Cities , N = 1,875
Male	1,104 (53%)	1,277 (53%)	1,004 (53%)	1,462 (52%)	1,008 (54%)

We also want to check the correlation between the weather variables. The correlation plot below shows that DP is highly correlated with WBGT, which means we can ignore the DP variable when analyzing the data. And since the WBGT is a composite index that combines the effects of Td, Tw, and Tg, all of those variables are highly correlated with WBGT, meaning that they can be ignored as well.

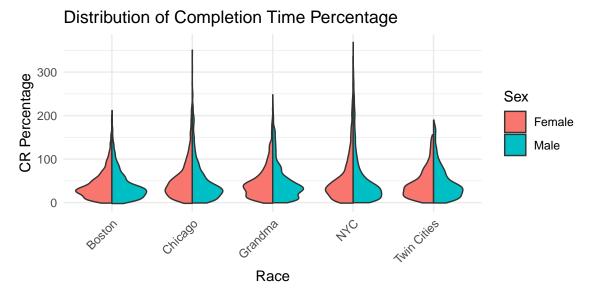
Correlation Plot of Weather Variables



Data Analysis

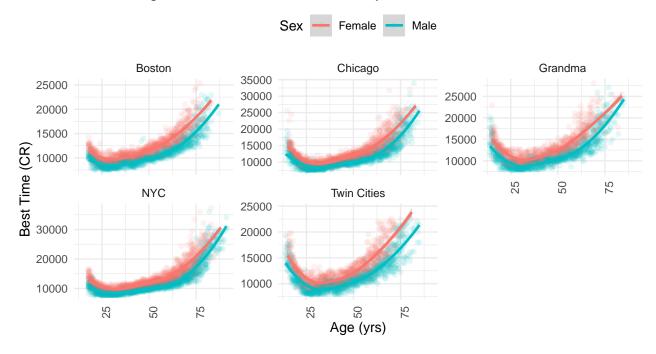
Inner Factors Analysis

A very instinctive thought is that the completion time of a marathon is influenced by gender. To verify this, we first plot the distribution of completion time percentage among Female and Male, and find that in each races, males tend to have a lower completion time. And we can also observe a distribution pattern that the completion time for both male and female runners is heavily skewed, which means that most of the runners have a completion time close to the course record. This suggests that our runners are generally well-trained and have a good performance.



Next, we want to explore the effect of age on marathon performance. From the plot below, we can not only observe the fact that female runners are tend to run slower than male runners, but we can also observe that in each cases, no matter male or female, the completion time decreases first and then increases with age. And people around their 30s tend to have the best performance. This suggests that the completion time of a marathon is influenced by age, and the effect of age on completion time is not linear.

Effect of Age on Marathon Performance by Race



Weather (Outer) Factors Analysis

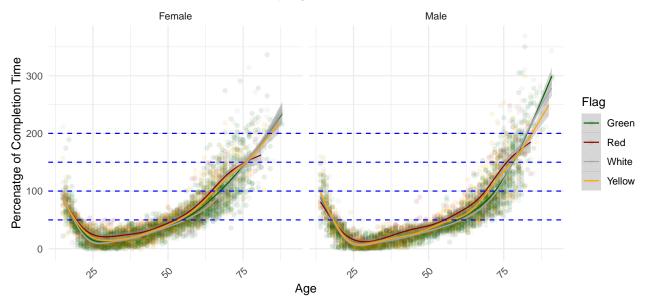
Both of Age and Sex can be considered as inner factors that affect the completion time of a marathon. We also care about the outer factors such as weather condition. Multiple weather variables are recorded in the dataset, including RH, SR, DP, Wind, and WBGT. In the following section, we will analyze the effect of these weather variables on marathon performance, and also explore the interaction between weather variables and inner factors.

We first want to focus on the effect of WBGT on marathon performance. WBGT is a composite index that combines the effects of Td, Tw, and Tg. Conceputally, the WBGT is an index used to estimate the effect of temperature, humidity, wind speed, and solar radiation on humans, typically to assess heat stress during physical activities in outdoor environments. That suggests the higher the WBGT, the more difficult for runners to finish the marathon.

In order to prove our assumption, we plot the effect of WBGT on completion time by sex. However, instead of using WBGT directly, we use the Flag column to represent the WBGT level. The Flag column is a categorical variable that represents the WBGT level, with White representing the lowest WBGT level and Black representing the highest WBGT level. In the following plot, each of the plot represents an observation, and the color of the plot represents the Flag level. To better read the result, we also add linear regression line to each plot.

By interpreting the plot, we can tell that in general cases, the worse the WBGT level, the higher the completion time. In detail, we found that the WBGT level do have different effect for different age groups as well as gender. To be note that, the wider the space between two regression lines, the more significant the effect of WBGT level on completion time. In that case, we can tell the WBGT level has a more significant effect on male than female. And looking at the difference among age groups, we found that the WBGT has more effect on elder runners than younger runners. Additionally, we see intersection between the regression lines around age 75, we think that might be due to the small number of participants in the 70-79 age group, causing the result to be less reliable, the larger standard error of the regression line showing in the plot also suggests this assumption.

WGBT Effect on Completion Time by Age and Sex



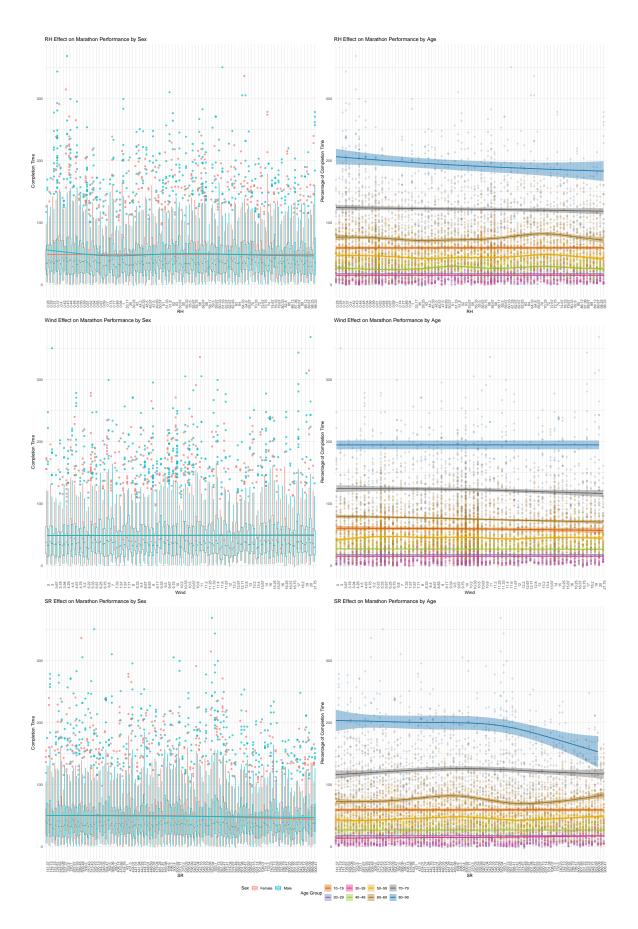


Table 5: RH Model Coefficients

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	$\Pr(> t)$
(Intercept)	-30.2005520	0.9708892	-31.1060755	0.0000000
RH	-0.0003344	0.0094546	-0.0353719	0.9717838
SexMale	-4.7812957	0.6080433	-7.8634129	0.0000000
Age	1.7545477	0.0169002	103.8183237	0.0000000

Table 6: SR Model Coefficients

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	-29.4795524	1.2291307	-23.9840664	0.000000
SR	-0.0013813	0.0016146	-0.8555289	0.392277
SexMale	-4.7762996	0.6080477	-7.8551397	0.000000
Age	1.7539441	0.0169126	103.7061018	0.000000

Table 7: DP Model Coefficients

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	$\Pr(> t)$
(Intercept)	-32.017656	0.9181339	-34.872534	0
DP	0.287388	0.0435305	6.601993	0
SexMale	-4.801950	0.6068550	-7.912845	0
Age	1.759805	0.0168836	104.231898	0

Table 8: Wind Model Coefficients

-	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	-28.5448183	1.1331262	-25.191208	0.0000000
Wind	-0.1734134	0.0743508	-2.332367	0.0196993
SexMale	-4.7828490	0.6078915	-7.867932	0.0000000
Age	1.7557419	0.0169015	103.880900	0.0000000

Table 9: Flag Model Coefficients

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	$\Pr(> t)$
(Intercept)	-30.666331	0.9422152	-32.547057	0.0000000
FlagRed	7.648126	1.3839258	5.526399	0.0000000
FlagWhite	-2.412088	0.6945525	-3.472866	0.0005169
FlagYellow	3.342042	0.8438010	3.960699	0.0000752
SexMale	-4.803419	0.6059713	-7.926810	0.0000000
Age	1.760180	0.0168528	104.444531	0.0000000

Table 10: WBGT Model Coefficients

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	-36.2759369	1.1404774	-31.807677	0
WBGT	0.4479189	0.0540060	8.293866	0
SexMale	-4.8069510	0.6061679	-7.930066	0
Age	1.7607921	0.0168625	104.420531	0

Table 11: Model with WBGT Coefficients

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	-35.8052408	2.1503858	-16.6506129	0.0000000
RH	-0.0100714	0.0117823	-0.8547937	0.3926839
SR	-0.0117774	0.0021134	-5.5728350	0.0000000
DP	-0.4666199	0.1192422	-3.9132102	0.0000916
Wind	0.0271575	0.0796785	0.3408382	0.7332318
WBGT	1.1062063	0.1550168	7.1360393	0.0000000
SexMale	-4.7708114	0.6053342	-7.8812856	0.0000000
Age	1.7557319	0.0168654	104.1026354	0.0000000

Table 12: Model with Flag Coefficients

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	-24.6502924	1.8792540	-13.1170628	0.0000000
RH	-0.0188363	0.0123629	-1.5236100	0.1276347
SR	-0.0089529	0.0019871	-4.5053890	0.0000067
DP	-0.1388574	0.0876138	-1.5848799	0.1130222
Wind	0.0582882	0.0842701	0.6916829	0.4891510
FlagRed	10.7582209	1.7404614	6.1812466	0.0000000
FlagWhite	-4.2883521	1.0310038	-4.1593950	0.0000322
FlagYellow	4.5640988	1.0933738	4.1743263	0.0000301
SexMale	-4.7755005	0.6055284	-7.8865016	0.0000000
Age	1.7556996	0.0168721	104.0591925	0.0000000

Discussion

References

Code Appendix

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knitr::opts_chunk$set(echo = FALSE)
knitr::opts_chunk$set(message = FALSE)
knitr::opts_chunk$set(warning = FALSE)
library(mice, warn.conflicts = FALSE)
library(naniar)
library(ggplot2)
library(dplyr)
library(readr)
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library(tidyr)
library(readxl)
library(ggpubr)
library(gtsummary)
library(GGally)
library(ggcorrplot)
library(knitr)
library(kableExtra)
library(lubridate)
library(patchwork)
library(introdataviz)
# Load data
marathon_data <- read.csv("../Data/project1.csv")</pre>
course_record <- read.csv("../Data/course_record.csv")</pre>
# rename the column names that are too long to follow.
colnames(marathon_data)[1] <- "Race"</pre>
colnames(marathon_data)[3] <- "Sex"</pre>
colnames(marathon_data)[5] <- "Age"</pre>
colnames(marathon_data)[6] <- "CR_PERCENTAGE"</pre>
colnames(marathon_data)[7] <- "TD"</pre>
colnames(marathon data)[8] <- "TW"</pre>
colnames(marathon_data)[9] <- "RH"</pre>
colnames(marathon data)[10] <- "TG"</pre>
colnames(marathon_data)[11] <- "SR"</pre>
# data type conversion
marathon_data$Year <- as.factor(marathon_data$Year)</pre>
marathon_data$Race <- as.factor(marathon_data$Race)</pre>
marathon_data$Sex <- as.factor(marathon_data$Sex)</pre>
marathon_data$Flag <- as.factor(marathon_data$Flag)</pre>
marathon_data$Flag[marathon_data$Flag == ""] <- NA</pre>
# replace marathon name with code name in course_record
course_record$Race[course_record$Race == "B"] <- 0</pre>
course record$Race[course record$Race == "C"] <- 1</pre>
course_record$Race[course_record$Race == "NY"] <- 2</pre>
course_record$Race[course_record$Race == "TC"] <- 3</pre>
course_record$Race[course_record$Race == "D"] <- 4</pre>
course_record$Race <- as.factor(course_record$Race)</pre>
# replace gender in course_record
course_record$Gender[course_record$Gender == "M"] <- 1</pre>
course_record$Gender[course_record$Gender == "F"] <- 0</pre>
course_record$Gender <- as.factor(course_record$Gender)</pre>
colnames(course_record)[4] <- "Sex"</pre>
# Transform records in course_record into seconds
course_record$CR <- period_to_seconds(hms(course_record$CR))</pre>
\# Join course_record and marathon_data
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marathon_data <- merge(marathon_data, course_record, by = c("Race", "Year", "Sex"))
# calculate the record of each runner
marathon_data$CR <- (1 + marathon_data$CR_PERCENTAGE * 0.01) * marathon_data$CR
marathon_data <- marathon_data %>%
  mutate(Race = case_when(
   Race == 0 ~ "Boston",
   Race == 1 ~ "Chicago",
   Race == 2 ~ "NYC",
   Race == 3 ~ "Twin Cities",
   Race == 4 ~ "Grandma"
  ),
  Sex = case_when(
   Sex == 1 ~ "Male",
   Sex == 0 ~ "Female"
  )) %>%
  mutate(Age_group = cut(Age, breaks = seq(0, 100, by = 10), right = FALSE,
                         labels = c("0-9", "10-19", "20-29", "30-39", "40-49",
                                    "50-59", "60-69", "70-79", "80-89", "90-99")))
# Check for missing values and patterns
miss_plot <- vis_miss(marathon_data)</pre>
ggsave("../Plots/missing_values_plot.png", plot = miss_plot, width = 15, dpi = 300)
miss plot
# Check the missing percentage of weather data in each marathon by year
marathon_data %>%
  group_by(Race, Year) %>%
  summarise(missing_percentage = sum(is.na(Flag)) / n()) %>%
 pivot_wider(names_from="Race", values_from = missing_percentage) %>%
  arrange(Year) %>%
  replace_na(list(Boston = 0, Chicago = 0, NYC = 0, `Twin Cities` = 0, Grandmas = 0)) %>%
  kable(caption = "Missing Percentage of Weather Data in Each Marathon by Year")
# remove missing data
marathon_data <- marathon_data %>% filter(!is.na(Flag))
completion_time_race <- ggplot(marathon_data, aes(x = Year, y = CR)) +</pre>
  geom_boxplot(aes(fill = Race), alpha = 0.5) +
  stat_summary(fun = "mean", geom = "point", shape = 23, size = 1, fill = "red") +
  stat_summary(fun = "mean", geom = "line", aes(group = 1), color = "red") +
 facet wrap(~ Race) +
 labs(title = "CR Distribution by Year and Race",
       x = "Year",
       y = "Completion Time (CR)") +
  theme_minimal() +
  theme(
   axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90, hjust = 1),
   legend.position = "none"
  )
ggsave(".../Plots/completion_time_race.png", plot = completion_time_race, width = 10, height = 8, dpi = .
completion_time_race
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tbl summary(
  marathon_data %>% select(Race, Age_group, Sex),
  by = Race,
   statistic = list(
   Age_group ~ "{n} ({p}%)",
   Sex ~ "{n} ({p}%)"
) %>%
 modify_header(label = "**Age Group**") %>%
  modify_caption("**Number of Participants by Age Group, Sex and Race**")
participants_age_plot <- ggplot(marathon_data, aes(x = Age_group, fill = Age_group)) +</pre>
  geom_bar() +
  facet_wrap(~ Race) +
  scale_fill_viridis_d() +
  labs(title = "Number of Participants by Age Group for Each Race",
       x = "Age Group",
       y = "Number of Participants",
       fill = "Age Group") +
  theme_minimal() +
  theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 45, hjust = 1))
ggsave(".../Plots/participants_age_plot.png", plot = participants_age_plot, width = 10, height = 8, dpi =
participants_age_plot
marathon_data <- marathon_data %>%
 mutate(Age_group = if_else(Age_group == "90-99", "80-99", Age_group)) %>%
 mutate(Age_group = if_else(Age_group == "80-89", "80-99", Age_group))
sex_distribution_race <- ggplot(marathon_data, aes(x = Sex, fill = Sex)) +</pre>
  geom_bar(position = "dodge", alpha = 0.7) +
  facet_wrap(~ Race, scales = "free_y") +
  labs(title = "Sex Distribution by Race",
       x = "Sex",
       y = "Count"
      fill = "Sex") +
  theme_minimal() +
  theme(
   axis.text.x = element_text(face = "italic"),
   legend.position = "none"
ggsave("../Plots/sex_distribution_race.png", plot = sex_distribution_race, width = 10, height = 8, dpi =
sex_distribution_race
cor_plot <- ggpairs(marathon_data %>% select(TD, TW, RH, TG, SR, DP, Wind, WBGT)) + ggtitle("Correlation
ggsave("../Plots/cor_plot.png", plot = cor_plot, width = 10, height = 8, dpi = 300)
cor_plot
cr_distribution_plot <- ggplot(marathon_data, aes(x=Race, y = CR_PERCENTAGE, fill=Sex)) +</pre>
  geom_split_violin() +
  labs(title = "Distribution of Completion Time Percentage",
       y = "CR Percentage") +
  theme_minimal() +
  theme(
   axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 45, hjust = 1)
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ggsave("../Plots/cr_distribution_plot.png", plot = cr_distribution_plot, width = 8, height = 5, dpi = 3
cr_distribution_plot
age_effect_plot <- ggplot(marathon_data, aes(x = Age, y = CR, color = Sex)) +
  geom point(alpha = 0.1) +
  geom_smooth(method = "loess", se = TRUE) +
 facet_wrap(~ Race, scales = "free_y") +
 labs(title = "Effect of Age on Marathon Performance by Race",
       x = "Age (yrs)",
       y = "Best Time (CR)",
       color = "Sex") +
  theme minimal() +
  theme(
   axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90, hjust = 1),
   legend.position = "top"
ggsave("../Plots/age_effect_plot.png", plot = age_effect_plot, width = 10, height = 8, dpi = 300)
age_effect_plot
# WGBT effects
flag_colors <- c("Green" = "darkgreen",</pre>
                 "Yellow" = "orange",
                 "Red" = "darkred",
                 "White" = "darkgrey")
wgbt_effect <- marathon_data %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = Age, y = CR_PERCENTAGE, color = Flag)) +
  facet_wrap(~ Sex, scales = "fixed") +
  geom_point(alpha = 0.1) +
  geom_smooth(aes(group = Flag, color = Flag), se = T, size=0.5) +
  geom_hline(yintercept = 50, linetype = "dashed", color = "blue") +
  geom_hline(yintercept = 100, linetype = "dashed", color = "blue") +
  geom_hline(yintercept = 150, linetype = "dashed", color = "blue") +
  geom_hline(yintercept = 200, linetype = "dashed", color = "blue") +
  scale_color_manual(values = flag_colors) +
  labs(title = "WGBT Effect on Completion Time by Age and Sex",
       x = "Age",
       y = "Percenatge of Completion Time",
       color = "Flag") +
  theme_minimal() +
  theme(
   axis.text.x = element text(angle = 45, hjust = 1)
ggsave("../Plots/wgbt_effect.png", plot = wgbt_effect, width = 10, height = 8, dpi = 300)
wgbt_effect
age_group_colors <- c("0-9" = "#1b9e77",
                      "10-19" = "#d95f02"
                      "20-29" = "#7570b3",
                      "30-39" = "#e7298a".
                      "40-49" = "#98c61e",
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"50-59" = "#e6ab02"
                      "60-69" = "#a6761d",
                      "70-79" = "#666666",
                      "80-99" = "#1f78b4")
# RH Effects
RH_sex <- marathon_data %>%
      ggplot(aes(x = as.factor(round(RH, 2)), y = CR_PERCENTAGE, color = Sex)) +
     geom_boxplot(alpha = 0.7) +
      geom_smooth(aes(group = Sex), se = FALSE) +
      labs(title = "RH Effect on Marathon Performance by Sex",
           x = "RH",
           y = "Completion Time") +
      theme_minimal() +
      theme(
        axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90)
RH_age <- marathon_data %>%
     ggplot(aes(x = as.factor(round(RH, 2)), y = CR_PERCENTAGE, fill = Age_group, color = Age_group))
     geom point(alpha = 0.2) +
      geom_smooth(aes(group = Age_group, color = Age_group), se = T) +
      scale_fill_manual(values = age_group_colors) +
      scale_color_manual(values = age_group_colors) +
      labs(title = "RH Effect on Marathon Performance by Age",
           x = "RH",
           y = "Percentage of Completion Time",
           fill = "Age Group",
           color = "Age Group") +
      theme_minimal() +
      theme(
        axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90)
# Wind Effects
Wind_sex <- marathon_data %>%
      ggplot(aes(x = as.factor(round(Wind, 2)), y = CR_PERCENTAGE, color = Sex)) +
      geom boxplot(alpha = 0.7) +
      geom_smooth(aes(group = Sex), se = FALSE) +
     labs(title = "Wind Effect on Marathon Performance by Sex",
           x = "Wind",
           y = "Completion Time") +
      theme_minimal() +
      theme(
        axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90)
Wind_age <- marathon_data %>%
      ggplot(aes(x = as.factor(round(Wind, 2)), y = CR_PERCENTAGE, fill = Age_group, color = Age_group)
      geom_point(alpha = 0.2) +
     geom_smooth(aes(group = Age_group, color = Age_group), se = T) +
      scale_fill_manual(values = age_group_colors) +
      scale_color_manual(values = age_group_colors) +
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labs(title = "Wind Effect on Marathon Performance by Age",
           x = "Wind",
           y = "Percentage of Completion Time",
           fill = "Age Group",
           color = "Age Group") +
      theme minimal() +
      theme(
       axis.text.x = element text(angle = 90)
# SR Effects
SR_sex <- marathon_data %>%
      ggplot(aes(x = as.factor(round(SR, 2)), y = CR_PERCENTAGE, color = Sex)) +
     geom_boxplot(alpha = 0.7) +
      geom_smooth(aes(group = Sex), se = FALSE) +
     labs(title = "SR Effect on Marathon Performance by Sex",
           x = "SR",
           y = "Completion Time") +
      theme_minimal() +
      theme(
        axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90)
SR_age <- marathon_data %>%
     ggplot(aes(x = as.factor(round(SR, 2)), y = CR_PERCENTAGE, fill = Age_group, color = Age_group))
      geom point(alpha = 0.2) +
     geom_smooth(aes(group = Age_group, color = Age_group), se = T) +
      scale_fill_manual(values = age_group_colors) +
     scale_color_manual(values = age_group_colors) +
      labs(title = "SR Effect on Marathon Performance by Age",
           x = "SR",
           y = "Percentage of Completion Time",
           fill = "Age Group",
           color = "Age Group") +
      theme_minimal() +
      theme(
        axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90)
weather_effect <- (RH_sex | RH_age) / (Wind_sex | Wind_age) / (SR_sex | SR_age) +
  plot_layout(guides = "collect", axis_titles = "collect") &
  theme(legend.position = 'bottom')
ggsave("../Plots/weather_effect.png", plot = weather_effect, width = 20, height = 30, dpi = 300)
weather effect
# RH model
RH_model <- glm(CR_PERCENTAGE ~ RH + Sex + Age, data = marathon_data)
kable(summary(RH_model)$coefficients, caption = "RH Model Coefficients")
# SR model
SR_model <- glm(CR_PERCENTAGE ~ SR + Sex + Age, data = marathon_data)</pre>
kable(summary(SR_model)$coefficients, caption = "SR Model Coefficients")
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# DP model
DP_model <- glm(CR_PERCENTAGE ~ DP + Sex + Age, data = marathon_data)</pre>
kable(summary(DP_model)$coefficients, caption = "DP Model Coefficients")
# Wind model
Wind_model <- glm(CR_PERCENTAGE ~ Wind + Sex + Age, data = marathon_data)
kable(summary(Wind_model)$coefficients, caption = "Wind Model Coefficients")
# Flag model
Flag_model <- glm(CR_PERCENTAGE ~ Flag + Sex + Age, data = marathon_data)</pre>
kable(summary(Flag_model)$coefficients, caption = "Flag Model Coefficients")
# WBGT model
WBGT_model <- glm(CR_PERCENTAGE ~ WBGT + Sex + Age, data = marathon_data)
kable(summary(WBGT_model)$coefficients, caption = "WBGT Model Coefficients")
# linear model
lm_model_1 <- glm(CR_PERCENTAGE ~ RH + SR + DP + Wind + WBGT + Sex + Age, data = marathon_data)</pre>
kable(summary(lm_model_1)$coefficients, caption = "Model with WBGT Coefficients")
lm_mode_2 <- glm(CR_PERCENTAGE ~ RH + SR + DP + Wind + Flag + Sex + Age, data = marathon_data)</pre>
kable(summary(lm_mode_2)$coefficients, caption = "Model with Flag Coefficients")
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