That's enough recapping. Let's get started on today's meet!

```
library(SwimmeR)
library(purrr)
library(dplyr)
library(stringr)
library(flextable)
library(ggplot2)
```

My flextable styling function is still working great since I made it three weeks ago. I'm not changing it. I'm not even really changing this paragraph. Reusable code/content for life!

```
flextable_style <- function(x) {
   x %>%
     flextable() %>%
     bold(part = "header") %>% # bold header
     bg(bg = "#D3D3D3", part = "header") %>% # puts gray background behind the header row
     autofit()
}
```

# **Getting Results**

After the first round where we used <code>SwimmeR::read\_results</code> and <code>SwimmeR::swim\_parse</code> to get and clean our data respectively I kept it all, and stored it all on github. Let's get this thing underway by grabbing those results. First step is just to list out links to each data set.

```
CA Link <-
  "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/gpilgrim2670/Pilgrim_Data/master/CA_States_2019.csv"
TX Link <-
  "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/gpilgrim2670/Pilgrim_Data/master/TX_States_2020.csv"
FL Link <- "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/gpilgrim2670/Pilgrim Data/master/FL States 2020.csv"
NY Link <- "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/gpilgrim2670/Pilgrim_Data/master/NY_States_2020.csv"
PA Link <- "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/gpilgrim2670/Pilgrim Data/master/PA States 2020.csv"
IL Link <- "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/gpilgrim2670/Pilgrim_Data/master/IL_States_2020.csv"
OH Link <- "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/gpilgrim2670/Pilgrim Data/master/OH States 2020.csv"
Links <- c(CA Link, TX Link, FL Link, NY Link, PA Link, IL Link, OH Link)
Georgia of course is a special case because their results reporting is so bad.
GA Link <- "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/gpilgrim2670/Pilgrim_Data/master/GA_States_2020.csv"
GA Results <- read.csv(url(GA Link)) %>%
  rename("Grade" = Age, Finals Time = "Time") %>%
  mutate(State = "GA",
          Grade = as.character(Grade),
          Exhibition = 0,
          DQ = 0,
```

Finals\_Time = str\_remove(Finals\_Time, "^0"))

Now that we have our links we'll read them all in together by mapping a reading function across the list of links.

```
Read Links <- function(x) {</pre>
 df <- read.csv(url(x)) %>% # reads each CSV file
    mutate(Grade = as.character(Grade)) # some states use FR/SO etc. for grade,
others use 9, 10 - need column to be all the same type
 return(df)
Results <- map(Links, Read Links) %>%
 bind rows(GA Results) %>% # add in GA results
 mutate(Gender = case when( # create gender column to score boys and girls meet
    str detect(Event, "Girls") == TRUE ~ "Girls",
    str detect(Event, "Boys") == TRUE ~ "Boys"
  )) 응>응
  mutate( # slightly different event naming for some states
   Event = str_replace(Event, "Boys 1m Diving", "Boys 1 mtr Diving"),
   Event = str_replace(Event, "Girls 1m Diving", "Girls 1 mtr Diving")
  filter(str detect(Event, "AWD") == FALSE, # remove events outside the standard
12 each for boys and girls
         str_detect(Event, "Swim-off") == FALSE)
```

# **Scoring the Meet**

We'll use SwimmeR::results\_score to score each swim, then collect the scores to get overall totals for each state, by gender.

```
Results_Final <- results_score(
  results = Results,
  events = unique(Results$Event), # want to score all events
  meet_type = "timed_finals",
  lanes = 8,
  scoring_heats = 2,
  point_values = c(20, 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 9, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1)
)

Scores <- Results_Final %>%
  group_by(State, Gender) %>% # score for each state and gender
  summarise(Score = sum(Points)) %>%
  group_by(Gender) %>%
  group_split() # new dataframe for boys and girls
```

## **Boys Scores**

```
Scores[[1]] %>%
  arrange(desc(Score)) %>%
  mutate(Place = rank(desc(Score), ties.method = "min")) %>%
  select(Place, State, Score) %>%
  flextable_style()
```

#### Place State Score

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- 2 OH 462.0
- 3 PA 314.5
- 4 TX 250.0
- 5 IL 224.0
- 6 GA 221.5
- 7 FL 63.0
- 8 NY 29.0

#### **Girls Scores**

```
Scores[[2]] %>%
  arrange(desc(Score)) %>%
  mutate(Place = rank(desc(Score), ties.method = "min")) %>%
  select(Place, State, Score) %>%
  flextable style()
```

#### Place State Score

- 1 CA 571.0
- 2 FL 422.5
- 3 TX 327.5
- 4 IL 317.5
- 5 OH 198.5
- 6 GA 176.0
- 7 PA 171.0
- 8 NY 141.0

#### **Overall Scores**

```
Combined_Scores <- Scores %>%
  bind_rows %>%
  group_by(State) %>%
  summarise(Score = sum(Score, na.rm = TRUE)) %>%
  arrange(desc(Score)) %>%
```

```
mutate(Place = rank(desc(Score), ties.method = "min")) %>% # using rank here
is important because we actually do have a tie
  select(Place, State, Score)
Combined Scores %>%
  flextable_style()
Place State Score
    CA 1332.0
2
    OH 660.5
    TX 577.5
    IL
        541.5
4
5
    FL 485.5
5
    PA 485.5
7
    GA 397.5
8
    NY 170.0
```

California wins again, but the real story here is Ohio. Ohio was seeded 7th, but finished 2nd today. The heroes for Ohio were the boys from Cincinnati St Xavier, who won all three relays and scored 120 points in doing so.

Plac	e School	Finals_Time	e Event	Points
1	Cincinnati St Xavie	er 1:20.86	Boys 200 Yard Freestyle Relay	y 40
1	Cincinnati St Xavie	er 1:27.97	Boys 200 Yard Medley Relay	40
1	Cincinnati St Xavie	er 2:59.30	Boys 400 Yard Freestyle Relay	y 40

# **Testing Seeding Assumptions**

## **Original Assumption**

Way back in July, when the State-Off started I made the decision to seed states based on their population. The assumption, which seemed reasonable at the time, was that states with larger populations would have a larger population pool (heh heh) from which to draw potential swimmers, and thus would have more, faster, swimmers than less populous states. Seeding by population made sense, with more populous states

expected to defeat less populous ones.

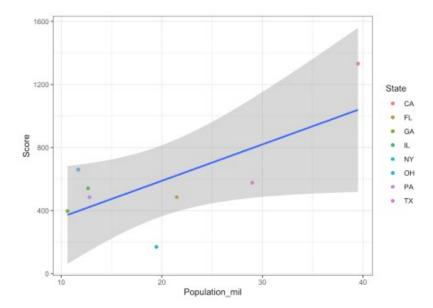
```
Pop Data <- read.csv("http://www2.census.gov/programs-surveys/popest/datasets/2010-2019
/national/totals/nst-est2019-alldata.csv?#") # download data
Seeds <- Pop Data %>%
  mutate(STATE = as.numeric(STATE)) %>%
  filter(STATE >= 1) %>%
  select(NAME, POPESTIMATE2019) %>% # get populations
  arrange(desc(POPESTIMATE2019)) %>%
  top n(8) %>% # cut down to top 8 most populated states
  mutate(Seed = 1:n(),
         POPESTIMATE2019 = round(POPESTIMATE2019 / 1000000, 2)) %>%
  select(Seed, "State" = NAME, "Population mil" = POPESTIMATE2019) %>%
  mutate(State = state.abb[match(State, state.name)]) # convert names (California)
to abbreviations (CA)
Seeds %>%
  flextable_style()
Seed State Population_mil
    CA 39.51
2
    TX 29.00
3
    FL 21.48
    NY 19.45
5
    PA 12.80
6
    IL
       12.67
    OH 11.69
7
    GA 10.62
R
```

### **Actual Results**

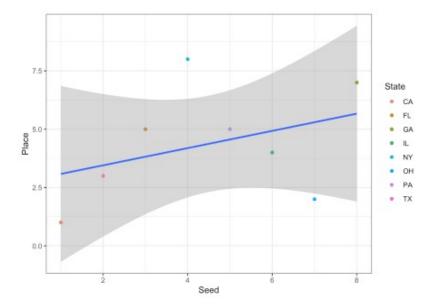
In the head-to-head matchups that followed my original assumption was largely born out. There was only one upset, when 5th seeded Pennsylvania upset 4th seeded New York. Otherwise more populous states did defeat less populous ones. Today's results however don't show the same trend between population and score, or seed and place.

```
Score_Pop <- Combined_Scores %>%
  left_join(Seeds, by = "State")

Score_Pop %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = Population_mil, y = Score)) +
  geom_point(aes(color = State)) +
  geom_smooth(method = "lm") + # add linear fit line, with standard error
  theme_bw()
```



```
Score_Pop %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = Seed, y = Place)) +
  geom_point(aes(color = State)) +
  geom_smooth(method = "lm") + # add linear fit line, with standard error
  theme bw()
```



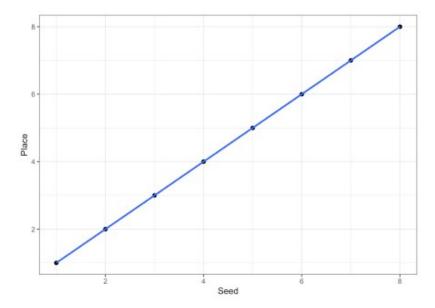
There doesn't look to be any particular relationship between either population and score, or seed and actual order of finish (place). Population vs. score looks more linear, but I suspect that's just because California is so far in the upper right corner that it's just dragging the fit out. We can, should, and in fact will, do some testing to confirm though. One possible relationship between to variables is a linear relationship. There are of course other relationships, but let's focus on linearity for a moment.

To be clear, my original assumption when I devised the seeding wasn't that population and score would be linearly related – it was more general. I assumed that score would increase as population increased. The increase could be linear, but could also be exponential, cubic, etc., any of which would have justified population as a seeding mechanism. Built into that original assumption though was a second assumption, which is linear. I assigned seeds based on population, and then earlier in this post we assigned places based on score. Seed and place are in effect ordinal values corresponding to the numeric values of population and score respectively, and if score does increase with population than seed and place should have a linear relationship. We can see such a relationship below. The fit line from geom\_smooth intersects each point perfectly. Standard error is also enabled, as in the plots above, but doesn't show up, because there is no error. The linear fit is literally perfect.

```
df \leftarrow data.frame(Seed = seq(1, 8, 1),
```

```
Place = seq(1, 8, 1))
```

```
df %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = Seed, y = Place)) +
  geom_point(size = 2) +
  geom_smooth(method = "lm") +
  theme_bw()
```



# **Correlation Testing**

I bring all this up because R has the built in function <code>cor.test</code>, which we can use to test for linear correlation. In addition to arguments specifying each of the two variables under test, <code>cor.test</code> also has an argument called <code>method</code>, used to specify the exact statistical test used. The two tests we'll consider here are Pearson's (<code>method = "pearson"</code>, the default) and Spearman's (<code>method = "spearman"</code>). Pearson's test assumes that

- 1. There is a linear relationship between the two variables. Again, this is the case for seed/place, but need not be for population/score
- 2. The variables are normally distributed. Let's test for this.

shapiro.test(Score\_Pop\$Score)

```
##
## Shapiro-Wilk normality test
##
## data: Score_Pop$Score
## W = 0.81856, p-value = 0.04507

shapiro.test(Score_Pop$Population_mil)
##
## Shapiro-Wilk normality test
##
## data: Score_Pop$Population_mil
## W = 0.85247, p-value = 0.1009
```

The null assumption for shapiro.test is that the variable is normally distributed. We see that for

Score\_Pop\$Score and Score\_Pop\$Population\_mil the p-values are 0.045 and 0.101 respectively. The value for Score is less than 0.05, so we can reject the null hypothesis and conclude Score is not normally distributed. Between that and the need-not-be-linear relationship between population and score Pearson's test is out.

That leaves Spearman's. Spearman's test does not require variables to be normally distributed, and it doesn't require a the assumption of a linear relationship between variables. This is because Spearman's uses a rank method, ordering each variable, assigning a rank, and checking for correlation between those ranks. This sounds a lot like what we've already done, ranking population and assigning seed, and ranking score and assigning place. The null hypothesis for Spearman's test is that there is *not* a linear relationship between the two variables.

```
Spearman Place Seed <- cor.test(Score Pop$Place, Score Pop$Seed, method =</pre>
"spearman")
Spearman_Place_Seed
##
## Spearman's rank correlation rho
##
## data: Score Pop$Place and Score Pop$Seed
\#\# S = 53.82, p-value = 0.3821
## alternative hypothesis: true rho is not equal to 0
## sample estimates:
## rho
## 0.3592879
Spearman Score Pop <- cor.test(Score Pop$Score, Score Pop$Population mil, method
= "spearman")
Spearman Score Pop
##
## Spearman's rank correlation rho
##
## data: Score Pop$Score and Score Pop$Population mil
## S = 53.82, p-value = 0.3821
## alternative hypothesis: true rho is not equal to 0
## sample estimates:
##
        rho
## 0.3592879
```

For both tests our p-value is 0.382, greater than 0.05. We cannot reject the null hypothesis, and so we conclude there is not a linear relationship between seed and place, or between population and score, in today's meet. Not only are our p-values the same for each test, Our Spearman's test results are in fact exactly the same, which we can confirm. First, let's look at the structure:

```
## List of 8
## $ statistic : Named num 53.8
## ..- attr(*, "names") = chr "S"
## $ parameter : NULL
## $ p.value : num 0.382
## $ estimate : Named num 0.359
```

str(Spearman Place Seed)

```
## ..- attr(*, "names") = chr "rho"
## $ null.value : Named num 0
## ..- attr(*, "names") = chr "rho"
## $ alternative: chr "two.sided"
## $ method : chr "Spearman's rank correlation rho"
## $ data.name : chr "Score_Pop$Place and Score_Pop$Seed"
## - attr(*, "class") = chr "htest"
```

Each result has 8 elements, the last of which are the variable names. These will of course be different between tests, because we're testing different variables. Everything else though is either a result of the test, or an input to the test. We can thus compare everything except the 8th element and expect them to be identical.

```
identical(Spearman_Place_Seed[1:7], Spearman_Score_Pop[1:7])
## [1] TRUE
```

The test results are identical because the Spearman's test does to population and score what we already did in assigning seed and place. As for the test results, correlations are of course not the same as causations. Even if population and score had been correlated for today's meet we wouldn't be able to prove that higher population actually causes faster swims and higher scores. For today's meet population proves to not have a linear relationship with score, nor does another relationship readily present itself.

## **Swimmers of the Meet**

Swimmer of the Meet criteria is still the same as it's been for the entire State-Off. We'll look for athletes who have won two events, thereby scoring a the maximum possible forty points. In the event of a tie, where multiple athletes win two events, we'll use All-American standards as a tiebreaker.

```
Cuts Link <-
  "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/gpilgrim2670/Pilgrim_Data/master/State_Cuts.csv"
Cuts <- read.csv(url(Cuts Link))</pre>
Cuts <- Cuts %>% # clean up Cuts
  filter(Stroke %!in% c("MR", "FR", "11 Dives")) %>% # %!in% is now included in
SwimmeR
  rename (Gender = Sex) %>%
  mutate(
    Event = case when ((Distance == 200 & #match events
                          Stroke == 'Free') ~ "200 Yard Freestyle",
                       (Distance == 200 &
                          Stroke == 'IM') \sim "200 Yard IM",
                       (Distance == 50 &
                          Stroke == 'Free') ~ "50 Yard Freestyle",
                       (Distance == 100 &
                          Stroke == 'Fly') ~ "100 Yard Butterfly",
                       (Distance == 100 &
                          Stroke == 'Free') ~ "100 Yard Freestyle",
                       (Distance == 500 \&
                          Stroke == 'Free') ~ "500 Yard Freestyle",
                       (Distance == 100 &
                          Stroke == 'Back') ~ "100 Yard Backstroke",
                       (Distance == 100 &
                          Stroke == 'Breast') ~ "100 Yard Breaststroke",
                       TRUE ~ paste(Distance, "Yard", Stroke, sep = " ")
    ),
```

```
Event = case_when(
      Gender == "M" ~ paste("Boys", Event, sep = " "),
      Gender == "F" ~ paste("Girls", Event, sep = " ")
    )
  )
Ind Swimming Results <- Results Final %>%
  filter(str detect(Event, "Diving|Relay") == FALSE) %>% # join
Ind Swimming Results and Cuts
  left join(Cuts %>% filter((Gender == "M" &
                              Year == 2020) |
                              (Gender == "F" &
                                 Year == 2019)) %>%
              select(AAC Cut, AA Cut, Event),
            by = 'Event')
Swimmer Of Meet <- Ind Swimming Results %>%
 mutate(
   AA_Diff = (Finals_Time_sec - sec_format(AA_Cut)) / sec_format(AA_Cut),
   Name = str_to_title(Name)
  group by (Name) %>%
  filter(n() == 2) \% # get swimmers that competed in two events
  summarise(
   Avg_Place = sum(Place) / 2,
   AA_Diff_Avg = round(mean(AA_Diff, na.rm = TRUE), 3),
   Gender = unique(Gender),
   State = unique(State)
  ) 응>응
  arrange(Avg Place, AA Diff Avg) %>%
  group_split(Gender) # split out a dataframe for boys (1) and girls (2)
```

## **Boys**

```
slice head(n = 5) %>%
  select(-Gender) %>%
 ungroup() %>%
  flextable style()
Name
            Avg_Place AA_Diff_Avg State
Magahey, Jake 1.0
                  -0.042
                            GA
Brownstead, Matt 1.5
                   -0.050
                             PΑ
                   -0.038
Aikins, Jack 1.5
                            GA
Hu, Ethan
            2.0
                   -0.052
                             CA
Dillard, Ben
            2.5 -0.044
                             CA
```

Swimmer Of Meet[[1]] %>%

crowns during the State-Off Rounds. He wasn't ever even runner up. Here he is though, top of the heap, in the State-Off Battle Royale. Maybe we didn't predict it, but that's why they play the games. On the other hand he was tied for first in the CollegeSwimming 2020 cycle rankings so maybe we could have predicted it after all. Congratulations to Jake!

```
Results_Final %>%
  filter(Name == "Magahey, Jake") %>%
  select(Place, Name, School, Finals_Time, Event) %>%
  arrange(desc(Event)) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  flextable style()
```

Place Name School Finals\_Time Event

1 Magahey, Jake MLCR 4:16.5 Boys 500 Yard Freestyle

1 Magahey, Jake MLCR 1:34.4 Boys 200 Yard Freestyle

#### **Girls**

```
Swimmer_Of_Meet[[2]] %>%
    slice_head(n = 5) %>%
    select(-Gender) %>%
    ungroup() %>%
    flextable() %>%
    bold(part = "header") %>%
    bg(bg = "#D3D3D3", part = "header") %>%
    autofit()
```

### Name Avg\_Place AA\_Diff\_Avg State

```
Hartman, Zoie 1.0 -0.047 CA

Lillie Nordmann 1.0 -0.046 TX

Cronk, Micayla 1.5 -0.040 FL

Weyant, Emma 1.5 -0.033 FL

Kit Kat Zenick 2.0 -0.029 TX
```

Meet the new boss, same as the old boss. Zoie Hartman is well known around these parts, as she swept all the Swimmer of the Meet crowns in the standard tournament. Today is no different, in fact it's a replay of the California vs. Texas championship meet where Zoie edged out Lillie Nordmann. Congratulations again to Zoie for an extremely successful State-Off run!

```
Results_Final %>%
  filter(Name == "Hartman, Zoie") %>%
  select(Place, Name, School, Finals_Time, Event) %>%
  arrange(desc(Event)) %>%
  ungroup() %>%
  flextable style()
```

Place Name	School	Finals Time Event

1 Hartman, Zoie Monte Vista\_NCS 1:55.29 Girls 200 Yard IM

1 Hartman, Zoie Monte Vista\_NCS 59.92 Girls 100 Yard Breaststroke

# In Closing

This was the last meet, and last post, in the State-Off Tournament. It's been a great ride. I'm not going to say it was as much fun as the Olympics, but at least it was something for these swimming-less months. Hopefully you've had some fun, and maybe learned a bit along the way – I know I have! Next week we'll be switching gears and talking about diving math here at Swimming + Data Science. We'll see you then!

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