Problem Set 3

Data Wrangling [YOUR NAME]

Due Date: 2024-07-12

Getting Set Up

Open RStudio and create a new RMarkDown file (.Rmd) by going to File -> New File -> R Markdown....

Accept defaults and save this file as [YOUR NAME] ps3.Rmd to your code folder.

Copy and paste the contents of this .Rmd file into your [YOUR NAME]_ps3.Rmd file. Then change the author: [Your Name] on line 2 to your name.

We will be using two different files. First is the Pres2020_PV.Rds data from the course github page (https://github.com/jbisbee1/ISP_Data_Science_2024/blob/main/data/Pres2020_PV.Rds). Second is the game_summary.Rds data, which is also on the course github page (https://github.com/jbisbee1/ISP_Data_Science_2024/blob/main/data/game_summary.Rds)

All of the following questions should be answered in this . Rmd file. There are code chunks with incomplete code that need to be filled in.

This problem set is worth 10 total points, plus **two** extra credit questions, each worth **two** points. The point values for each question are indicated in brackets below. To receive full credit, you must have the correct code. In addition, some questions ask you to provide a written response in addition to the code.

You are free to rely on whatever resources you need to complete this problem set, including lecture notes, lecture presentations, Google, your classmates...you name it. However, the final submission must be complete by you. There are no group assignments. To submit, email the knitted output to Eun Ji Kim (kej990804@snu.ac.kr (mailto:kej990804@snu.ac.kr)) as a PDF by the start of class on Friday, July 12th. If you need help converting to a PDF, see this tutorial

(https://github.com/jbisbee1/ISP Data Science 2024/blob/main/Psets/ISP pset 0 HELPER.pdf).

Good luck!

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Question 0

Require tidyverse and load the Pres2020_PV.Rds data to an object called pres. ALSO load a new package called labelled, which will allow us to read the labels for our variables. Remember, if you don't have this package yet, you need to use install.packages("labelled") in the Console window.

require(tidyverse)	
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Loading required package: tidyverse

```
## — Attaching core tidyverse packages — tidyverse 2.0.0 — ## / dplyr 1.1.4 / readr 2.1.5 ## / forcats 1.0.0 / stringr 1.5.1 ## / ggplot2 3.5.1 / tibble 3.2.1 ## / lubridate 1.9.3 / tidyr 1.3.1 ## / purrr 1.0.2 ## — Conflicts — tidyverse_conflicts() — ## X dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter() ## X dplyr::lag() masks stats::lag() ## i Use the conflicted package (<a href="http://conflicted.r-lib.org/">http://conflicted.r-lib.org/</a>) to force all conflicts to become errors
```

```
require(labelled)
```

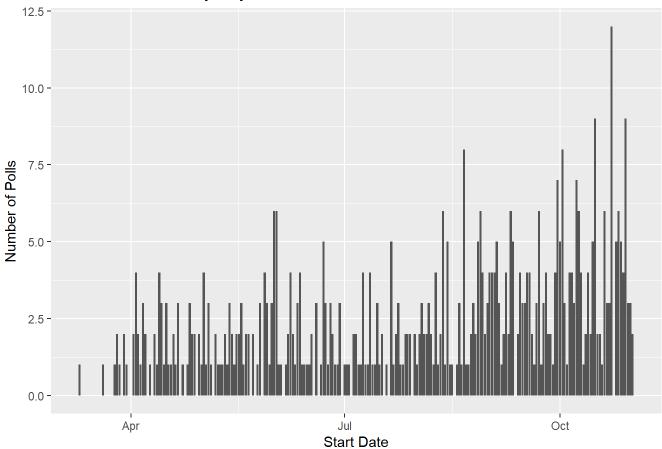
```
## Loading required package: labelled
```

```
pres <- read_rds("https://github.com/jbisbee1/ISP_Data_Science_2024/raw/main/data/Pres20
20_PV.Rds")</pre>
```

Question 1 [1 point]

Plot the total number of polls per start date in the data. NB: you will have convert startDate to a date class with as.Date(). If you need help, see this post (https://www.r-bloggers.com/2013/08/date-formats-in-r/). Do you observe a pattern in the number of polls over time? Why do you think this is?

Total Polls Started by Day



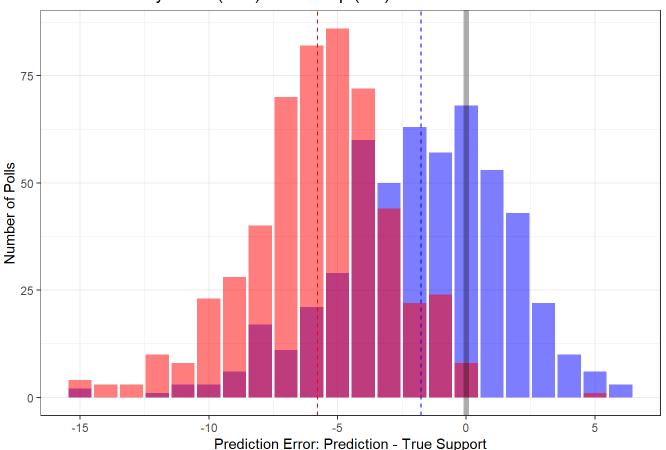
There are more polls fielded the closer we get to the election. This is probably because there is more demand for information about the election the closer the election is, and media outlets want to make more money by selling polling data.

Question 2 [1 point]

Calculate the **prediction error** for Biden and Trump such that positive values mean that the poll **overestimated** the candidate's popular vote share (<code>DemCertVote</code> for Biden and <code>RepCertVote</code> for Trump). Plot the Biden and Trump prediction errors on a single plot using <code>geom_bar()</code>, with red indicating Trump and blue indicating Biden (make sure to set alpha to some value less than 1 to increase the transparency!). Add vertical lines for the average prediction error for both candidates (colored appropriately) as well as a vertical line indicating no prediction error. **HINT**: create a new object called <code>toplot</code> which adds the prediction error columns to <code>pres</code> via <code>mutate()</code>.

Do you observe a systematic bias toward one candidate or the other?

Poll Mistakes by Biden (blue) and Trump (red)



I observe a systematic bias against both candidates where the polls underestimate the amount of support for Biden and Trump. However, the magnitude of this bias against Trump is larger than the bias against Biden.

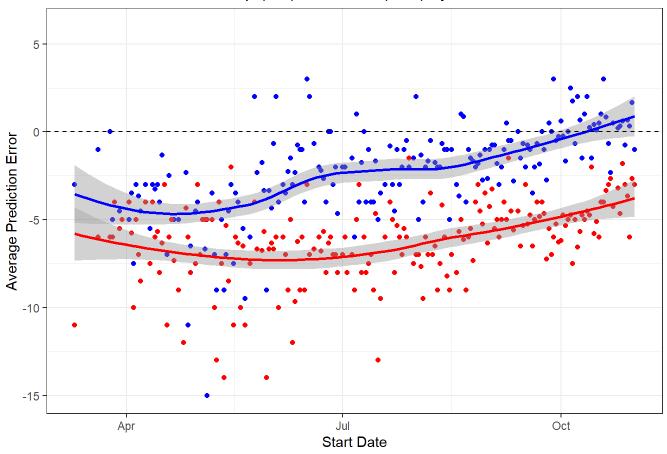
Question 3 [1 point]

Plot the average prediction error for Trump (red) and Biden (blue) by start date using <code>geom_point()</code> and add a curvey line of best fit using <code>geom_smooth()</code> (allow it to be curved!). What pattern do you observe over time, if any?

```
toplot %>%
 mutate(StartDate = as.Date(StartDate,'%m/%d/%Y')) %>%
 group by(StartDate) %>%
 summarise(demErr = mean(demErr),
            repErr = mean(repErr)) %>%
 ggplot() +
 geom point(aes(x = StartDate,y = demErr),color = 'blue') +
 geom point(aes(x = StartDate,y = repErr),color = 'red') +
 geom_smooth(aes(x = StartDate,y = demErr),color = 'blue') +
 geom smooth(aes(x = StartDate,y = repErr),color = 'red') +
 labs(title = "Prediction Errors for Trump (red) and Biden (blue) by Date",
      x = "Start Date",
       y = "Average Prediction Error") +
 geom vline(xintercept = 0,linetype = 'dashed') +
 geom hline(yintercept = 0,linetype = 'dashed') +
 theme bw() +
 scale y continuous(limits = c(min(c(toplot$demErr,toplot$repErr),na.rm=T),
                                max(c(toplot$demErr,toplot$repErr),na.rm=T)))
```

```
## `geom_smooth()` using method = 'loess' and formula = 'y ~ x'
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```

Prediction Errors for Trump (red) and Biden (blue) by Date



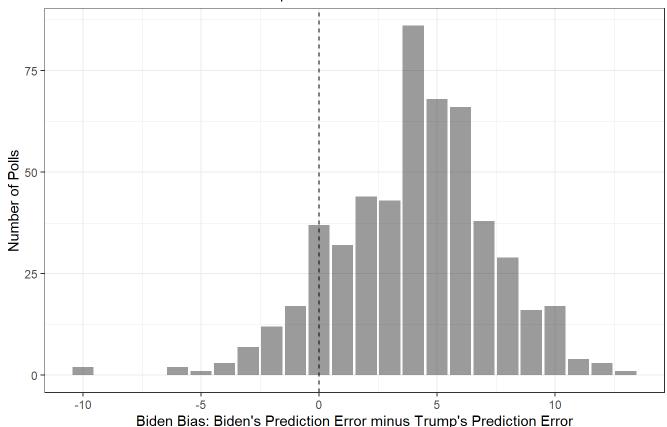
I observe a gradual decline in the prediction error over time, where polls underestimate both Trump and Biden less and less. However, polls still underestimated Trump by the time of the election, whereas they perfectly predicted Biden's support.

Question 4 [2 points]

Calculate each poll's bias toward Biden (this should be the prediction error for Biden minus the prediction error for Trump) and plot the distribution. What proportion of polls' prediction error favored Biden over Trump? What does this mean about polling in the United States?

```
toplot %>%
  mutate(bidenBias = demErr - repErr) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = bidenBias)) +
  geom_bar(alpha = .6) +
  labs(title = '"Biden Bias" in 2020 Polls',
        subtitle = "Biden's Prediction Error minus Trump's Prediction Error",
        x = "Biden Bias: Biden's Prediction Error minus Trump's Prediction Error",
        y = 'Number of Polls') +
  geom_vline(xintercept = 0,linetype = 'dashed') +
  theme_bw()
```

Biden's Prediction Error minus Trump's Prediction Error



```
toplot %>%
  mutate(bidenBias = demErr - repErr) %>%
  summarise(mean(bidenBias > 0))
```

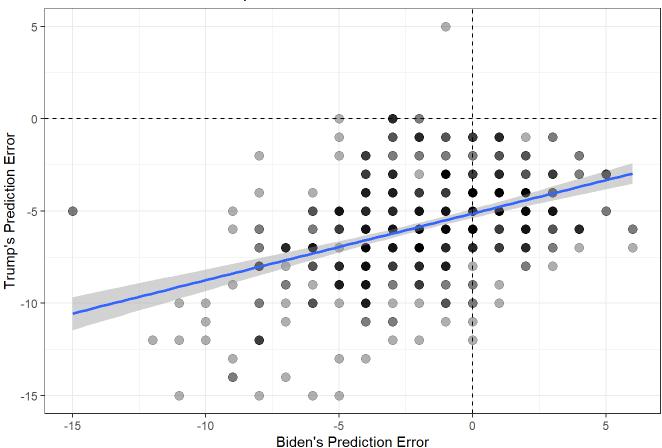
84.7% of polls had prediction errors that favored Biden over Trump. This means that polling in the United States is biased against Donald Trump, although it is not clear whether this is intentional or unintentional.

Extra Credit 1 [2 points]

Do polls that underestimate Trump's support overestimate Biden's support? Use a scatterplot to test, combined with a line of best fit. Then, calculate the proportion of polls that (1) underestimate both Trump and Biden, (2) underestimate Trump and overestimate Biden, (3) overestimate Trump and underestimate Biden, (4) overestimate both candidates. In these analyses, define "overestimate" as prediction errors greater than or equal to zero, whereas "underestimate" should be prediction errors less than zero. What do you conclude?

```
## `geom_smooth()` using formula = 'y ~ x'
```

Prediction Errors for Trump and Biden

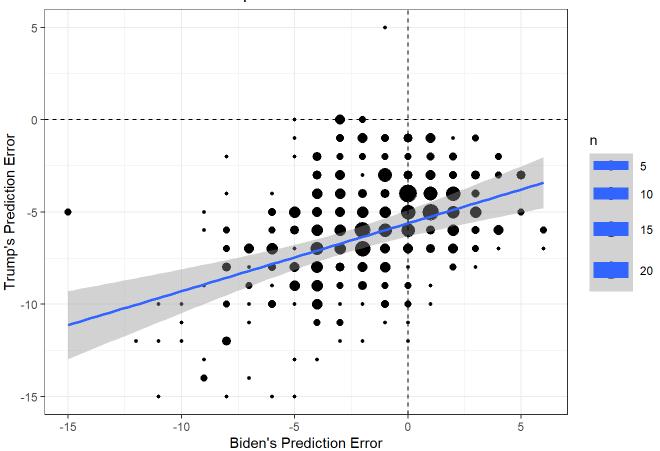


```
## Warning: Using `size` aesthetic for lines was deprecated in ggplot2 3.4.0.
## i Please use `linewidth` instead.
## This warning is displayed once every 8 hours.
## Call `lifecycle::last_lifecycle_warnings()` to see where this warning was
## generated.
```

```
## `geom_smooth()` using formula = 'y ~ x'
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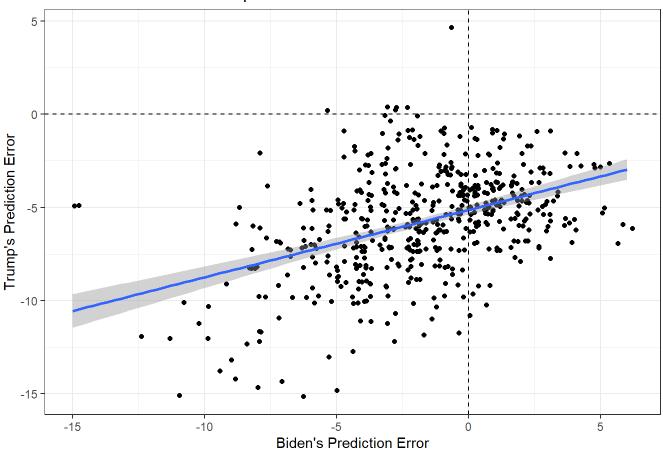
```
## Warning: The following aesthetics were dropped during statistical transformation: siz
e.
## i This can happen when ggplot fails to infer the correct grouping structure in
## the data.
## i Did you forget to specify a `group` aesthetic or to convert a numerical
## variable into a factor?
```

Prediction Errors for Trump and Biden



```
## `geom_smooth()` using formula = 'y ~ x'
```

Prediction Errors for Trump and Biden



```
## # A tibble: 1 × 4

## UNboth UNTrOVBi OVTrUNBi OVboth

## <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 0.595 0.388 0.0170 0
```

The results show that the polls which underestimate Trump's support also underestimated Biden's support, as indicated by the positive slope. Almost 60% of the polls underpredicted both Biden and Trump, whereas 0% of the polls overpredicted both. Nevertheless, there is still some evidence of an anti-Trump bias, since 39% of polls underpredicted Trump and overpredicted Biden, while only 1.7% of polls overpredicted Trump and underpredicted Biden.

Question 5 [1 point]

Now let's load a different dataset to practice multivariate visualization and confidence. Open <code>game_summary.Rds</code> from the github page and save it to a new object called <code>games</code>. This dataset contains information on basketball games in the NBA from the 2017-2019 seasons. The codebook for it can be found in homework 5, which is also on github (https://github.com/jbisbee1/ISP_Data_Science_2024/blob/main/Homeworks/ISP_hw_5.pdf).

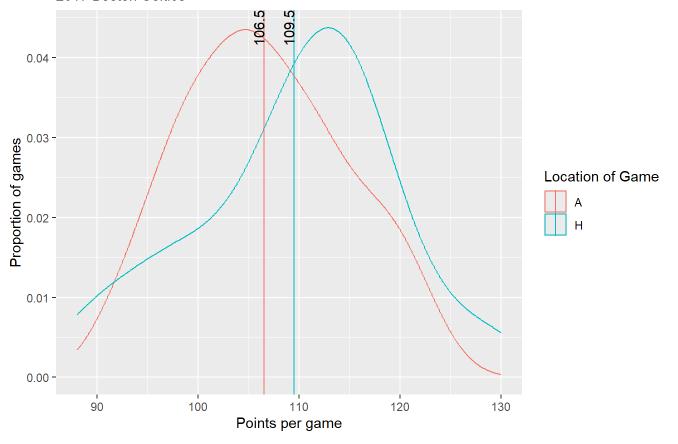
```
games <- read_rds("https://github.com/jbisbee1/ISP_Data_Science_2024/raw/main/data/game_
summary.Rds") # Insert link here
```

We are interested in the concept of "home court advantage", which predicts that teams play better at home than on the road. We are focusing on one team in the dataset (meaning you will need to filter()), my home team the Boston Celtics. How many points, on average, did the Boston Celtics score at home and away games in the 2017 season? Calculate this answer and also plot the multivariate relationship. Explain why your chosen visualization is justified. Draw two vertical lines for the average points at home and away.

```
games %>%
 filter(yearSeason == 2017,
         nameTeam == 'Boston Celtics') %>% # Filter to the 2017 season (yearSeason) AND
to the Boston Celtics (nameTeam)
 ggplot(aes(x = pts,color = locationGame)) + # Create a multivariate plot comparing poi
nts scored between home and away games
 geom density() + # Choose the appropriate geom ... for this plot (i.e., geom histogram
(), geom density(), geom bar(), etc.)
 labs(title = 'Average Points by Location of Game', # Add clear descriptions for the ti
tle, subtitle, axes, and legend
      subtitle = '2017 Boston Celtics',
      x = 'Points per game',
       y = 'Proportion of games',
       color = 'Location of Game') +
 geom vline(data = vertLines, aes(xintercept = avg pts, color = locationGame)) + # EC: ad
d vertical lines for the average points scored at home and away.
 annotate(geom = 'text',x = vertLines$avg pts,y = Inf,label = round(vertLines$avg pts,
1), vjust = 0, hjust = 1, angle = 90) # EC: label the vertical lines
```

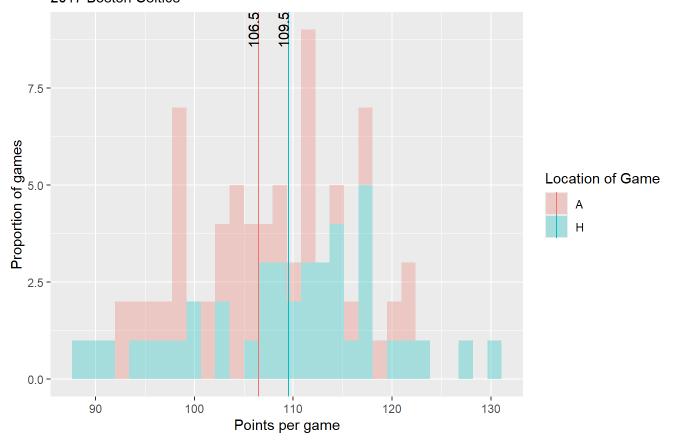
Average Points by Location of Game

2017 Boston Celtics



```
## `stat_bin()` using `bins = 30`. Pick better value with `binwidth`.
```

Average Points by Location of Game 2017 Boston Celtics



I chose a geom_density that was colored by the location of the game. I could have also chosen a histogram.

Question 6 [1 point]

Now recreate the same plot for the 2018, 2019, and combined seasons. Imagine that you work for the Celtics organization and Brad Stevens (the GM), asks you if the team scores more points at home or away? Based on your analysis, what would you tell him?

```
# By season
(vertLines <- games %>%
filter(nameTeam == 'Boston Celtics') %>% # Filter to the Boston Celtics (nameTeam)
  group_by(locationGame, yearSeason) %>% # Group by the location (locationGame) and the s
eason (yearSeason)
  summarise(avg_pts = mean(pts,na.rm=T))) # Calculate the average points (pts)
```

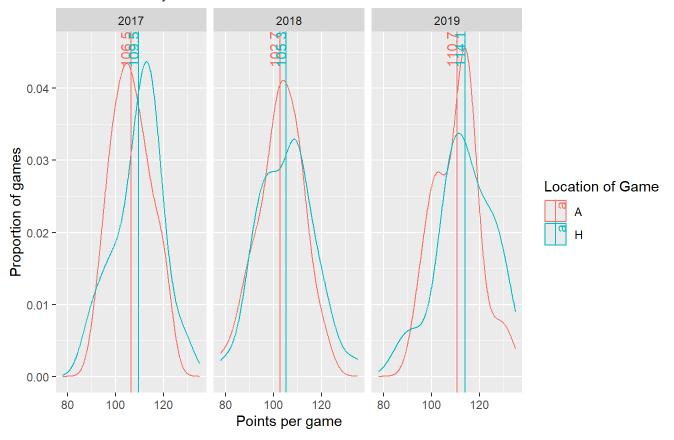
```
\#\# `summarise()` has grouped output by 'locationGame'. You can override using the \#\# `.groups` argument.
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 × 3
## # Groups: locationGame [2]
## locationGame yearSeason avg pts
## <chr>
                    <int>
                          <dbl>
## 1 A
                     2017 107.
                     2018 103.
## 2 A
                     2019 111.
## 3 A
## 4 H
                     2017 110.
                     2018 105.
## 5 H
## 6 H
                     2019 114.
```

```
games %>%
 filter(nameTeam == 'Boston Celtics') %>% # Filter to the 2017 season (yearSeason) AND
to the Boston Celtics (nameTeam)
 ggplot(aes(x = pts,color = locationGame)) + # Create a multivariate plot comparing poi
nts scored between home and away games
 geom density() + # Choose the appropriate geom ... for this plot (i.e., geom histogram
(), geom density(), geom bar(), etc.)
  labs(title = 'Average Points by Location of Game', # Add clear descriptions for the ti
tle, subtitle, axes, and legend
       subtitle = 'Boston Celtics by Season',
      x = 'Points per game',
       y = 'Proportion of games',
       color = 'Location of Game') +
 facet wrap(~yearSeason) + # Create separate panels for each season (facet wrap())
 geom vline(data = vertLines,aes(xintercept = avg pts,color = locationGame)) +
  geom text(data = vertLines,aes(x = avg pts,y = Inf,color = locationGame,label = round
(avg pts, 1)),
            vjust = 0, hjust = 1, angle = 90)
```

Average Points by Location of Game

Boston Celtics by Season

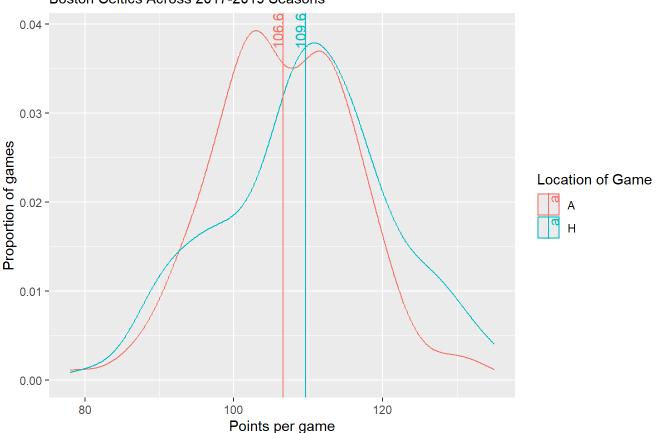


```
# Over all seasons combined
(vertLines <- games %>%
filter(nameTeam == 'Boston Celtics') %>% # Filter to the Boston Celtics (nameTeam)
  group_by(locationGame) %>% # Group by the location (locationGame)
  summarise(avg_pts = mean(pts,na.rm=T))) # Calculate the average points (pts)
```

```
games %>%
 filter(nameTeam == 'Boston Celtics') %>% # Filter to the 2017 season (yearSeason) AND
to the Boston Celtics (nameTeam)
 ggplot(aes(x = pts,color = locationGame)) + # Create a multivariate plot comparing poi
nts scored between home and away games
 geom density() + # Choose the appropriate geom ... for this plot (i.e., geom histogram
(), geom density(), geom bar(), etc.)
 labs(title = 'Average Points by Location of Game', # Add clear descriptions for the ti
tle, subtitle, axes, and legend
       subtitle = 'Boston Celtics Across 2017-2019 Seasons',
       x = 'Points per game',
       y = 'Proportion of games',
       color = 'Location of Game') +
 geom vline(data = vertLines,aes(xintercept = avg pts,color = locationGame)) +
 geom text(data = vertLines, aes(x = avg pts, y = Inf, color = locationGame, label = round)
(avg pts, 1)),
            vjust = 0, hjust = 1, angle = 90)
```

Average Points by Location of Game

Boston Celtics Across 2017-2019 Seasons



The Celtics scored more points at home games than away games for every season in the data, as well as when combining all the seasons together. Based on this analysis, I would tell Brad Stevens that the Celtics score more points at home games than at away games. Overall, the difference is equivalent to roughly one 3-point shot: 106.6 points at away games and 109.6 points at home games.

Question 7 [1 point]

Brad Stevens thanks you for your answer, but is a well-trained statistician in his own right, and wants to know how confident you are in your claim. Bootstrap sample the data 1,000 times to provide him with a more sophisticated answer. How confident are you in your conclusion that the Celtics score more points at home games than away games? Make sure to <code>set.seed(123)</code> to ensure you get the same answer every time you <code>knit</code> your code!

```
set.seed(123) # Set the seed!
forBS <- games %>% # To make things easier, create a new data object that is filtered to
just the Celtics
    filter(nameTeam == 'Boston Celtics') # Filter to the Celtics (nameTeam)
bsRes <- NULL # Instantiate an empty object to store data from the loop
for(i in 1:1000) { # Loop 1,000 times
 bsRes <- forBS %>%
    sample n(size = nrow(forBS), replace = T) %>% # Sample the data with replacement usin
g all possible rows
    group by (locationGame) %>% # Group by the location of the game (locationGame)
    summarise(avg pts = mean(pts,na.rm=T)) %>% # Calculate the average points (pts)
    ungroup() %>% # Best practices!
    spread(locationGame, avg pts) %>% # Spread the data to get one column for average poi
nts at home and another for average points away
    mutate(diff = H - A, # Calculate the difference between home and away points
           bsInd = i) %>% # Save the bootstrap index
    bind rows(bsRes) # Append the result to the empty object from line 133
# Calculate the confidence
bsRes %>%
  summarise (confidence = mean(diff > 0), # Calculate the proportion of bootstrap simulat
ions where the home points are greater than the away points
            avg diff = mean(diff)) # Calculate the overall average difference
```

I am 99.2% confident in my conclusion that the Celtics score more points at home games than away games. Furthermore, the average difference is about 3 points (2.93) over the 1,000 bootstrapped simulations.

Question 8 [2 points]

Re-do this analysis for three other statistics of interest to Brad: total rebounds (treb), turnovers (tov), and field goal percent (pctFG). **NOT GRADED:** Do you notice anything strange in these results? What might explain it?

```
bsRes <- NULL # Instantiate an empty object to store data from the loop
for(i in 1:1000) { # Loop 1,000 times
  bsRes <- forBS %>%
    sample n(size = nrow(forBS),replace = T) %>% # Sample the data with replacement usin
g all possible rows
    group by (locationGame) %>% # Group by the location of the game (locationGame)
    summarise(avg reb = mean(treb,na.rm=T), # Calculate the average total rebounds (tre
b)
              avg tov = mean(tov,na.rm=T), # Calculate the average turnovers (tov)
              avg pctFG = mean(pctFG,na.rm=T)) \%% # Calculate the average field goal sh
ooting percentage (pctFG)
    ungroup() %>% # Best practices!
    pivot wider (names from = locationGame, # Pivot wider to get each measure in its own
column for homme and away games
                values from = c('avg reb', 'avg tov', 'avg pctFG')) %>% # Use the values f
rom the variables you created above
    mutate(diff reb = avg reb H - avg reb A, # Calculate the difference between home and
away total rebounds
           diff tov = avg tov H - avg tov A, # Calculate the difference between home and
away turnovers
           diff pctFG = avg pctFG H - avg pctFG A, # Calculate the difference between ho
me and away field goal percentages
           bsInd = i) %>% # Save the bootstrap index
    bind rows(bsRes) # Append the result to the empty object from line 165
# Calculate the confidence
bsRes %>%
  summarise(confidence reb = mean(diff reb > 0),
            confidence tov = mean(diff tov > 0),
            confidence pctFG = mean(diff pctFG > 0))
```

I am 99.4% confident that the Celtics rebound more at home games than away games. I am 92.3% confident that they turn over the ball more at home games than away games. And I am 88.5% confident that they shoot more accurately at home than away games. **NOT GRADED:** These results are surprising since turnovers are theoretically bad for a basketball team, yet we find that the Celtics have more turnovers at home games than away games. This might be due to a faster pace of play, where the Celtics move the ball around more, providing more opportunityies for points and rebounds, but also more turnovers.

Extra Credit 2 [2 points]

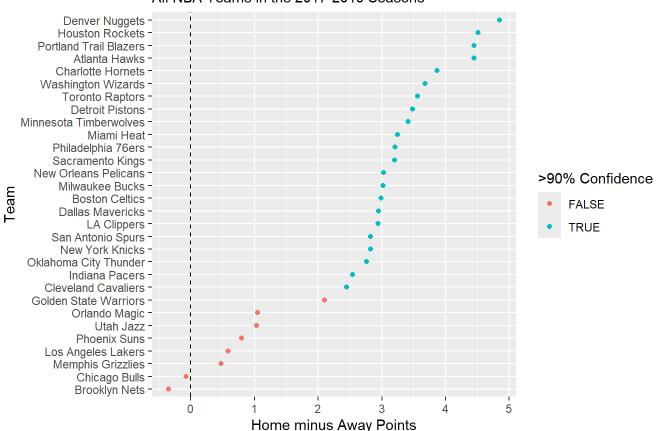
Now Brad is asking for a similar analysis of other teams. Calculate the difference between home and away points for every team in the league and prepare a summary table that includes both the average difference for each team, as well as your confidence about whether the difference is not zero. Based on these data, would you argue that there is an **overall** home court advantage in terms of points across the NBA writ large? Visualize these summary results by plotting the difference on the x-axis, the teams (reordered) on the y-axis, and the points colored by whether you are more than 90% confident in your answer. What does it mean to have less than 50% confidence?

```
bsRes <- NULL # Instantiate an empty object to store data from the loop
for(i in 1:1000) { # Loop 1,000 times
 bsRes <- games %>%
    group by(nameTeam) %>%
   sample n(size = n(), replace = T) %>% # Sample the data with replacement using all po
ssible rows
    group by (locationGame, nameTeam) %>% # Group by the location of the game (locationGam
e)
    summarise(avg pts = mean(pts,na.rm=T),.groups = 'drop') %>% # Calculate the average
turnovers (tov)
    pivot wider(id cols = nameTeam,
                names from = locationGame, # Pivot wider to get each measure in its own
column for homme and away games
                values from = c('avg pts')) %>% # Use the values from the variables you
created above
    mutate(diff = H - A, # Calculate the difference between home and away turnovers
           bsInd = i) %>% # Save the bootstrap index
   bind rows(bsRes) # Append the result to the empty object from line 165
(toplot <- bsRes %>%
 group by (nameTeam) %>%
 summarise(conf = round(mean(diff > 0), 2),
           diff = round(mean(diff),2)))
```

```
\# A tibble: 30 \times 3
##
     nameTeam
                              conf diff
##
      <chr>
                             <dbl> <dbl>
##
   1 Atlanta Hawks
                                    4.45
   2 Boston Celtics
                              0.99 2.99
##
    3 Brooklyn Nets
                              0.43 - 0.35
##
   4 Charlotte Hornets
                              0.99 3.87
   5 Chicago Bulls
                              0.5 - 0.07
##
    6 Cleveland Cavaliers
                              0.92 2.45
##
   7 Dallas Mavericks
                              0.98 2.95
   8 Denver Nuggets
##
                                    4.85
    9 Detroit Pistons
                              0.99 3.48
##
  10 Golden State Warriors 0.88 2.1
## # i 20 more rows
```

```
toplot %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = diff,y = reorder(nameTeam,diff),color = conf > .9 | conf < .1))+
  geom_point() +
  geom_vline(xintercept = 0,linetype = 'dashed') +
  labs(title = 'Difference between Home and Away Points',
      subtitle = 'All NBA Teams in the 2017-2019 Seasons',
      x = 'Home minus Away Points',
      y = 'Team',
      color = '>90% Confidence')
```

Difference between Home and Away Points All NBA Teams in the 2017-2019 Seasons



Here we find much stronger evidence that teams generally score more points at home than away games across the NBA. Every team except the Bulls and Nets score more points at home than away, and the majority of these differences we can confidently say are greater than zero at the 90% level. Confidence levels less than 50% mean that teams scored more home points than away points in fewer than 50% of simulated realities. This is equivalent to saying that they scored more away points than home points in more than 50% of simulated realities. In other words, if the confidence is less than 0.5, we can flip the statement and say we are 1-the confidence.