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SEAM OR SWING? IDENTIFYING THE MOST EFFECTIVE TYPE OF BOWLING VARIATION FOR FAST BOWLERS IN MEN’S INTERNATIONAL 50-OVER CRICKET

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This study analyzed 13,176 deliveries by international fast bowlers to explore the link between delivery types and their effectiveness. Chi-Squared analyses found significant associations between delivery type and runs conceded (p < 0.001) and wickets taken (p < 0.001). Seam movement outperformed swing in producing dot balls and wickets. Specifically, "seam-away" deliveries were best for dot balls, and "seam-in" for wickets. "Away-swingers" resulted in more dot balls, while "in-swingers" led to more wickets. "Off-cutters" and "slower balls" yielded fewer dot balls but more wickets, requiring bowlers to weigh risk versus reward. No-movement deliveries had no significant impact on runs conceded but resulted in fewer wickets. Lateral movement is crucial, with seam movement superior to swing.

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by Sandra Baldassarri, Jorge García de Quirós, José Ramón Beltrán & Pedro Alvarez

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