### How data can affect footbal

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#### introduzione

Football is one of the most popular themes in Italy and in the world. Few people don't have a favorite team or at least don't sympathize for anyone. In recent years various technologies have been introduced in this sport, for example VAR and goal line technology. Furthermore, the use of data for the analysis of individual or team performances is increasingly developing, just think of the De Bruyne case, thanks to a team of data scientists managed to obtain an increase in his contract renewal. with this experiment I will try to give an input of what the data can show us about this sport. It will be used a dataset of the last 5 seasons in Serie A, it contains the dates of the matches, the results and many other in-game statistics.

Import library and list of functions:

```
library(ggplot2)
library(ggridges)
library(hrbrthemes)
#function that calculate the sum of point a squad have in the last 5 years
point5years <- function(df){</pre>
df$match[1]<-1
if (df$result[1]== "W"){
  df$point[1] <-3</pre>
if(df$result[1]=="D"){
  df$point[1] <-1</pre>
if (df$result[1]== "L"){
  df$point[1] <-0</pre>
for(i in 2:nrow(df)){
  if (df$result[i]== "W"){
    dfpoint[i] <- dfpoint[i-1] +3
  else if(df$result[i]=="D"){
    dfpoint[i] <- dfpoint[i-1] +1
  else if(df$result[i]=="L"){
    df$point[i]<- df$point[i-1]</pre>
```

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df$match[i]<-i
}
 return(df)
}
#function to plot drbbling and xg
dribbling_plot <- function(df){</pre>
 ggplot(df, aes(x=att, y=sh, color=result)) +
   geom_point() + # Show dots
   geom text(
    label=df milan$opponent,
    nudge_x = 0.25, nudge_y = 0.25,
    check_overlap = T
}
#function to plot possess
possess<- function(df){</pre>
 ggplot(df, aes(x=xg, y=poss_x, color=result)) +
   geom_point() + # Show dots
   geom_text(
    label=df milan$opponent,
    nudge_x = 0.25, nudge_y = 0.25,
     check overlap = T
   )
}
#Create df for barplot
df_difference <- function(df){</pre>
 xg <- sum(df$xg)
 gf <- sum(df$gf)</pre>
 df_goal<-array(data= c(xg, gf))</pre>
 return(df_goal)
}
#Create df for barplot
df_difference_ag <- function(df){</pre>
 ga <- sum(df$ga)</pre>
 xga <-sum(df$xga)
 df_goal_ag<-array(data= c(ga, xga))</pre>
 return (df_goal_ag)
}
#merge goal scored for all team
merge_goal <- function(){</pre>
 df<-
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array(data=c(milan_goal,inter_goal,juve_goal,napoli_goal,roma_goal,lazio_goal))
 return(df)
}
#merge goal concedeed for all team
merge_goal_ag <- function(){</pre>
 df<-
array(data=c(milan goal ag,inter goal ag,juve goal ag,napoli goal ag,roma goal ag,
lazio_goal_ag))
 return(df)
#linear regression
lr <- function(df){</pre>
 df < -df[c(15,16)]
 lmTemp <- lm(point~match, data = df)</pre>
 1mTemp
 plot(df)+
   abline(lmTemp)
 summary(lmTemp)
 df lr=data.frame(match= c(191:228))
 result<- predict(lmTemp,df lr)</pre>
 total point<- round(result[38]-result[1])
 return(total_point[1])
}
```

It gives a first view of the dataset on which I am going to work.

```
df_football<- read.csv("seriea-matches.csv")</pre>
df_total<- df_football[c(2,5,50,11,7,8,9,10,12,13,14,19,34,35)]
head(df total)
                     round team opponent venue result gf ga xg xga poss_x sh
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          date
## 1 2021-08-23 Matchweek 1 Milan Sampdoria Away
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                                                     W 4 1 2.7 0.4
## 2 2021-08-29 Matchweek 2 Milan Cagliari Home
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## 3 2021-09-12 Matchweek 3 Milan
                                    Lazio Home
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## 4 2021-09-19 Matchweek 4 Milan Juventus Away
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                                                                        56 13
## 5 2021-09-22 Matchweek 5 Milan Venezia Home
                                                     W 2 0 1.7 0.7
                                                                        67 14
## 6 2021-09-25 Matchweek 6 Milan
                                   Spezia Away
                                                     W 2 1 1.9 0.9
                                                                        64 18
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##
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## 2 20 65.0
## 3 26 65.4
## 4 17 52.9
## 5 31 58.1
## 6 25 44.0
```

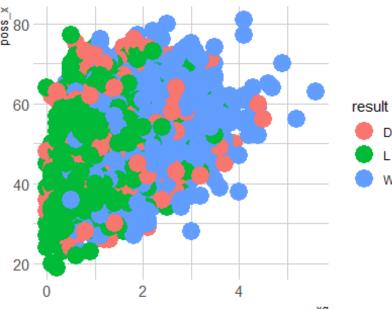
There are 14 columns:

- -date: day the match was played
- -round:championship round

- -team: team to which the statistics refer
- -opponent: opponenent of the team squad
- -venue:where the game was played {Home,Away}
- -result: match result{W,D,L}
- -gf: Number of goals scored
- -ga: Number of goals conceded
- -xgf: Expected number of goals scored
- -xga: Expected number of goals conceded
- -poss\_x: Percentage of ball possession
- -sh: Number of shoot
- -att: Number of attempted dribbling
- -succ: Percentage of succesfull dribbling.

A first graph is displayed:

```
ggplot(df_total, aes(x=xg, y=poss_x, color=result)) +
  geom_point(size=6) +
  theme_ipsum()
```

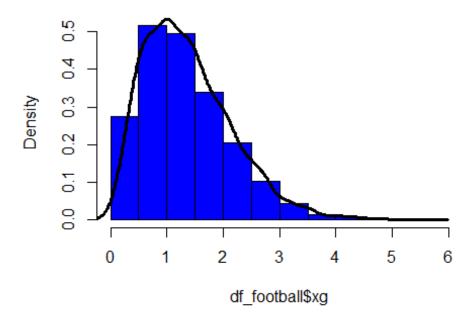


This graph represent the relation between 3 variable: Result,xg,poss\_x. it is easy to note a positive correlation between this 3 variable, because if a team create a lot of expected goal and generate more possession, it have more possibility to win the game. On the contrary, if a team creates a few xg and has a low percentage of ball possession, the difficulty of winning the game increases.

But what exactly are xg's? Expected Goals (xG) represent the offensive production of a team or player. XGs are a measure of how many goals a team or player should have scored, regardless of the result. Consquently, more xg -> more goal chances created -> more fun for the spectactors.

```
p1<-hist(df_football$xg,col="blue",freq=F)
kd1<- density(df_football$xg)
lines(kd1,col="black",lwd=3)</pre>
```

# Histogram of df\_football\$xg



On average 1-2 xg are created per game. A very low number if you think that a game lasts 90 minutes. This is the reason why numerous proposals have been made to raise the level of competitions and create greater involvement of people (Superleague).

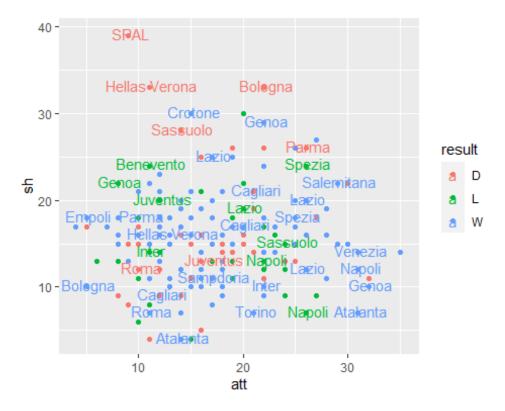
What will be done now will be to show the 6 most important teams in Italy. For simplicity, AC Milan, winner of the last Scudetto, will be analyzed, but for the sake of completeness all the teams will be shown at the end.

```
df_milan<-df_total
milan <- which(df_milan$team == "Milan")
df_milan<-df_milan[milan,]
summary(df_milan)</pre>
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    3rd Qu.:22.00
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var(df milan$gf)
## [1] 1.524394
cor(df_milan$gf,df_milan$xg)
## [1] 0.5659132
cor(df_milan$ga,df_milan$xga)
## [1] 0.5452363
```

On average, Milan scores 1,668 goals per game, creating just fewer chances (1.56). He has an average possession percentage of 54.15% and attempts to dribble 17.34 per game, 63.27 of which are successful. The following graph shows the number of dribbles and the number of shots attempted

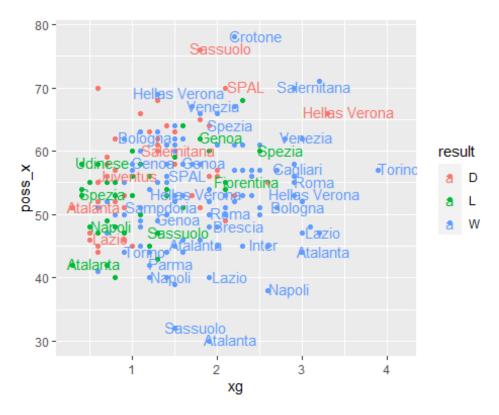
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dribbling_plot(df_milan)
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There is no clear and visible relationship, but the games in which Milan have shot more, have dribbled less. Conversely, when he tried more dribbles, the number of shots dropped. It can be said that the first case is due to very closed games, against weaker teams on paper, which have focused on defending the result.

As previously done, ball possession and xg are correlated

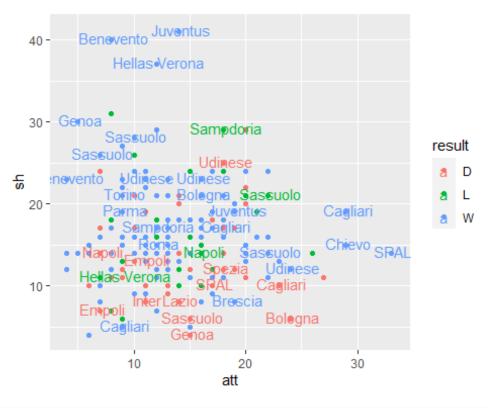
possess(df\_milan)



It is immediately evident that with the growth of the xg, the possibility of victory increases, in fact when Milan created 2 or more scoring chances, they lost only 4 times. It is also clear that to win you have to know how to suffer, in fact, Milan never lost when their possession was less than 40%, and usually it happens against big team. For all teams the previous graphs will be shown:

```
df inter<-df total
inter <- which(df_inter$team == "Internazionale")</pre>
df_inter<-df_inter[inter,]</pre>
summary(df inter)
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dribbling_plot(df_inter)
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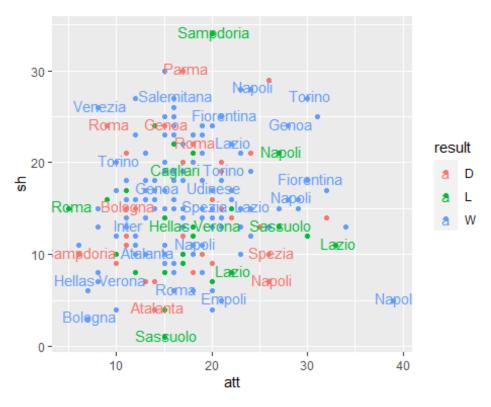


possess(df\_inter)

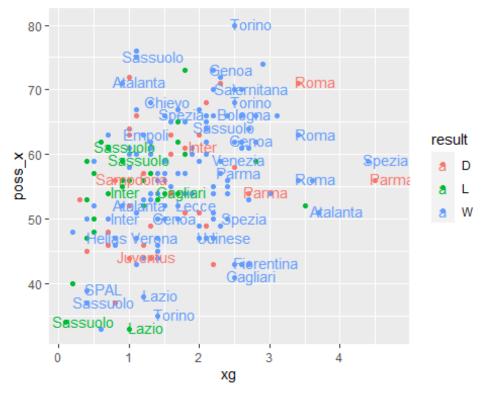
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df_juve<-df_total</pre>
juve <- which(df_juve$team == "Juventus")</pre>
df juve<-df juve[juve,]</pre>
summary(df_juve)
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                  Mean : 61.46
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   Mean :17.51
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dribbling_plot(df_juve)
```



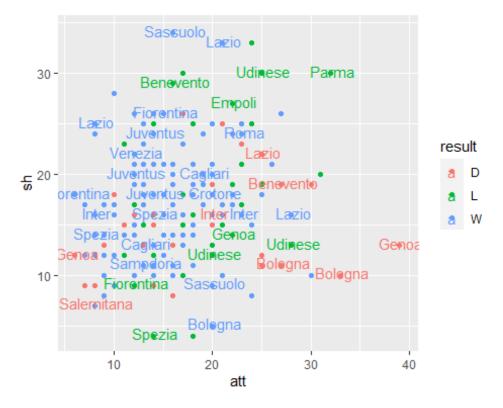
possess(df\_juve)



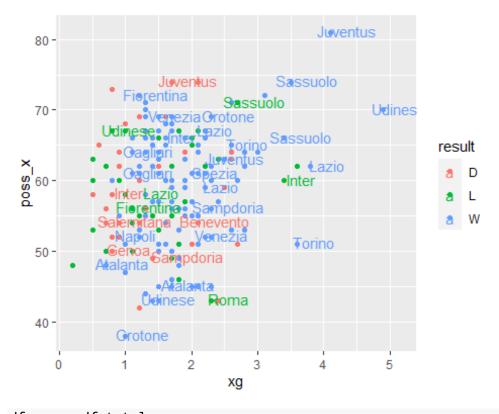
```
df_napoli<-df_total</pre>
napoli <- which(df_napoli$team == "Napoli")</pre>
df napoli<-df napoli[napoli,]</pre>
summary(df_napoli)
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dribbling_plot(df_napoli)
```



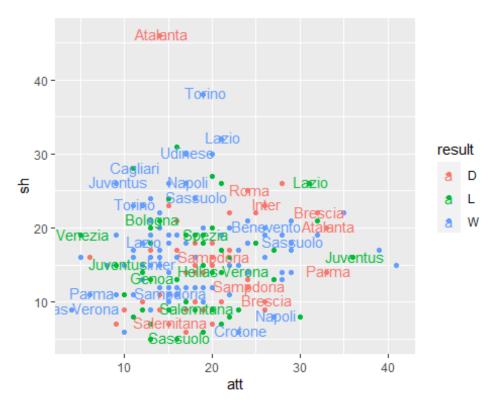


possess(df\_napoli)

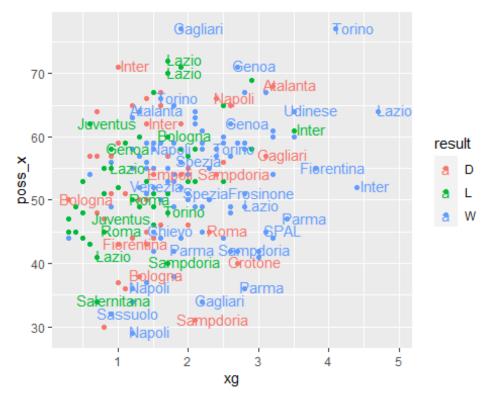


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df_roma<-df_total
roma <- which(df_roma$team == "Roma")</pre>
df roma<-df roma[roma,]</pre>
summary(df_roma)
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dribbling_plot(df_roma)
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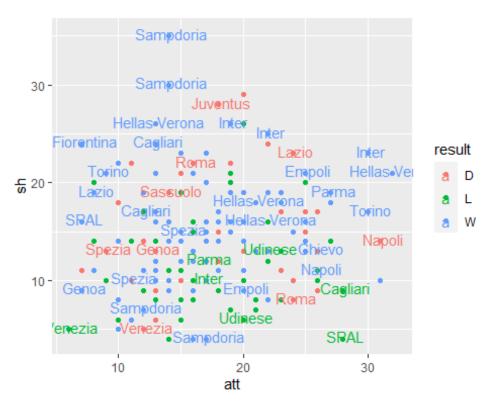


possess(df\_roma)

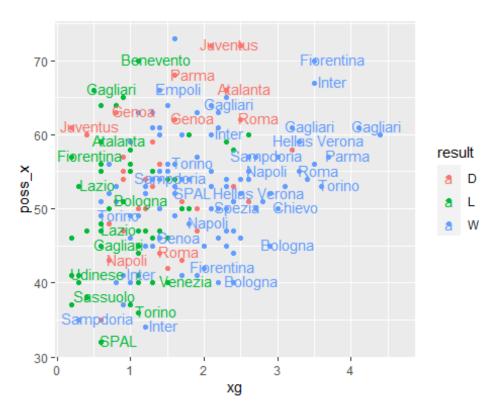


```
df_lazio<-df_total</pre>
lazio <- which(df_lazio$team == "Lazio")</pre>
df lazio<-df lazio[lazio,]</pre>
summary(df_lazio)
##
        date
                            round
                                                 team
                                                                    opponent
    Length:190
##
                         Length:190
                                             Length:190
                                                                  Length:190
##
    Class :character
                        Class :character
                                             Class :character
                                                                  Class :character
    Mode :character
                        Mode :character
                                             Mode :character
                                                                  Mode :character
##
##
##
##
##
       venue
                            result
                                                    gf
                                                                     ga
                                                     :0.000
                                                                      :0.000
##
    Length:190
                         Length:190
                                             Min.
                                                              Min.
##
    Class :character
                        Class :character
                                             1st Qu.:1.000
                                                              1st Qu.:0.000
##
    Mode :character
                        Mode :character
                                             Median :2.000
                                                              Median :1.000
##
                                             Mean
                                                     :1.905
                                                              Mean
                                                                      :1.316
##
                                             3rd Qu.:3.000
                                                              3rd Qu.:2.000
##
                                             Max.
                                                     :6.000
                                                              Max.
                                                                      :5.000
##
                                                              sh
                          xga
                                           poss x
          xg
##
    Min.
           :0.200
                     Min.
                            :0.200
                                      Min.
                                              :32.00
                                                        Min.
                                                                : 4.00
    1st Qu.:1.000
                     1st Qu.:0.700
                                       1st Qu.:46.25
                                                        1st Qu.:10.00
##
##
    Median :1.400
                     Median :1.150
                                      Median :52.50
                                                        Median :14.00
                             :1.223
                                              :52.11
                                                                :14.21
##
    Mean
           :1.602
                     Mean
                                      Mean
                                                        Mean
##
    3rd Qu.:2.200
                     3rd Qu.:1.600
                                      3rd Qu.:57.00
                                                        3rd Qu.:18.00
           :4.400
                             :3.000
                                              :73.00
##
    Max.
                     Max.
                                      Max.
                                                        Max.
                                                                :35.00
##
         att
                          succ.
```

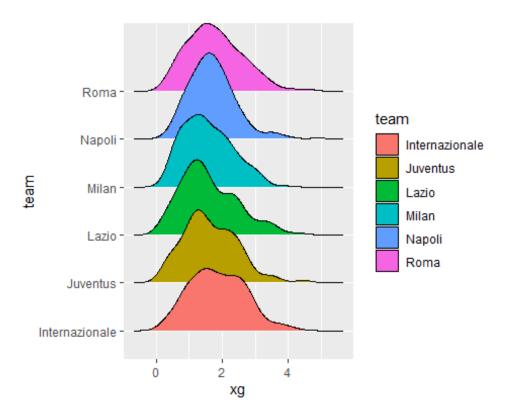
```
## Min. : 6.00
                  Min. :21.40
##
   1st Qu.:13.00
                  1st Qu.:48.00
##
   Median :16.00
                  Median :60.00
##
          :17.09
                  Mean
                         :58.84
   Mean
##
   3rd Qu.:21.00
                  3rd Qu.:69.10
         :32.00
                         :92.90
##
   Max.
                  Max.
dribbling_plot(df_lazio)
```



possess(df\_lazio)



The following graph compares the distribution of Xg for each analyzed team



Napoli and Roma are the only team that has a similar distribution to the normal one with a peak at 1.6 Xg and 1.5 Xg. Inter is the team that has created more Xg as a second peak corresponds to 2.5 Xg.

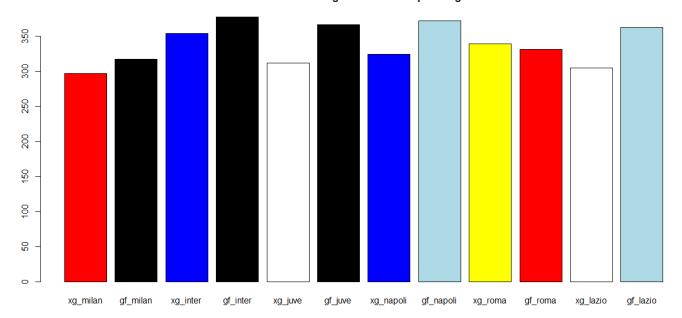
From this graph it would seem that Napoli produces more Xg than Roma To prove this hypothesis, we work with the t-test on the difference of the mean of two samples independent. Having N=190 greater than 30, by the central limit theorem, the data is distribute as a normal standard. so the two hypothesis are:

H0: xg\_Roma >= xg\_Napoli vs H1: xg\_Roma < xg\_Napoli

The test yields a p-value = 0.8322. Having alpha = 0.05 p-value > alpha then the test accepts H0. Consequently, it cannot be said that Naples produces more than Rome.

This can be also seen from the following graph. This barplot is displayed in pairs. For each team the first bar represents the Xg while the second represents the goals scored

#### Difference from goal scored & expected goal



As mentioned before, Inter is the team that creates the most scoring chances and consequently the team that scores the most. Juve and Lazio are the teams that take advantage of the occasional goals most by having the greatest difference between goals scored and Xg. This is thanks to the cinecity of the forwards who take advantage of the most complicated occasions to score, just think of last year's top scorer, Immobile, who scored 27 goals, having 22.36 as Xg. The opposite happens for Rome which is the only one among the teams analyzed to have scored fewer goals than expected. This is due to the scarce ability of strikers like dzeko who in his last 3 seasons at Roma has produced respectively 14.25, 21.15, 15.17 Xg scoring 7, 16, 9.

Similarly, the goals conceded and the expected goals conceded will be analyzed.

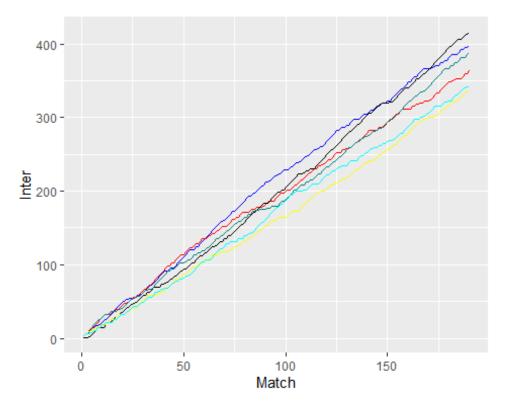
```
barplot.default(df_goal_ag,border = "black", col=c("red","black","blue","black",
                                                            "white", "black", "blue", "light
blue",
                                                            "yellow", "red", "white", "light
blue"),
                  main="Difference from goal against & expected goal against",
                  names.arg=c("ga_milan","xga_milan","ga_inter","xga_inter",
                                "ga_juve", "xga_juve", "ga_napoli", "xga_napoli",
                                "ga_roma", "xga_roma", "ga_lazio", "xga_lazio"))
                                Difference from goal against & expected goal against
  250
  200
  50
  8
  20
         ga_milan xga_milan
                       ga_inter
                              xga_inter
                                      ga_juve
```

To win the championships you need a good defense, in fact Inter, Milan and Juve, the last 3 winners of the championship, are the only ones to have a clear difference between goals conceded and expected goals conceded. Scoring is important, but not conceding a goal is even more important.

Lastly, I would like to try to predict the point obtained at the end of the year by the 6 teams (the trend of this start of the championship was not taken into consideration, the input data correspond to the last 5 championships).

First of all, I plot the progress of the teams over the 5 years, each team is therefore represented by its own jersey color Juve = black; Inter = blue; Milan = red; Rome = yellow; lazio = heavenly; Naples = teal;

```
geom_line( aes(y=Inter),color="#0000FF") +
geom_line( aes(y=Milan),color="#FF0000")+
geom_line( aes(y=Juve),color="#000000")+
geom_line( aes(y=Napoli),color="#008080")+
geom_line( aes(y=Roma), color="#FFFF00")+
geom_line( aes(y=Lazio), color="#00FFFF")
```

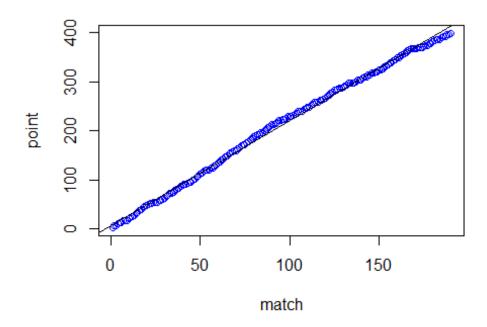


Then we give an explanation of the linear regression model, using the points obtained by Inter as an example

```
reg_inter<-df_point_inter[c(15,16)]
lmTemp <- lm(point~match, data = reg_inter)
lmTemp

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = point ~ match, data = reg_inter)
##
## Coefficients:
## (Intercept) match
## 6.960 2.131

plot(reg_inter, col = "blue")+
abline(lmTemp)</pre>
```

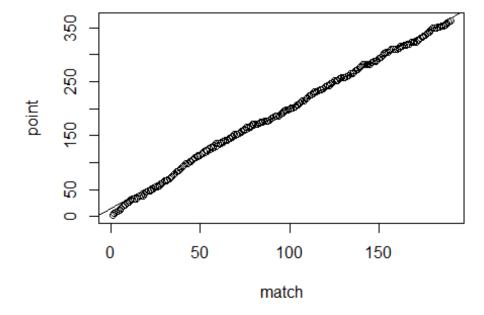


```
## integer(0)
summary(lmTemp)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = point ~ match, data = reg_inter)
##
## Residuals:
        Min
                  1Q
                       Median
                                    3Q
                                             Max
## -14.6837 -5.1932
                     -0.8233
                                5.5634
                                        13.2668
##
## Coefficients:
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
##
                                     7.251 1.05e-11 ***
## (Intercept) 6.959900
                          0.959833
                          0.008715 244.486 < 2e-16 ***
## match
               2.130814
## ---
                   0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Signif. codes:
## Residual standard error: 6.589 on 188 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.9969, Adjusted R-squared: 0.9968
## F-statistic: 5.977e+04 on 1 and 188 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

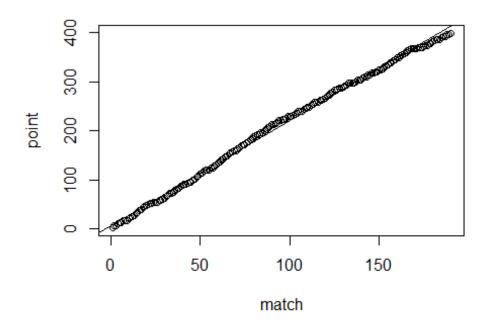
Among the information that summary provides, there is the R-squared value, which is the proportion of variance of the dependent variable that is explained by the predictor. This value is between 0 and 1. Values close to 1 indicate a good model. On average, an increase of 2,130814 points is expected for each match.

Now it's time to give a prediction of the six teams in analysis:

```
prediction_milan<-lr(df_point_milan)</pre>
```



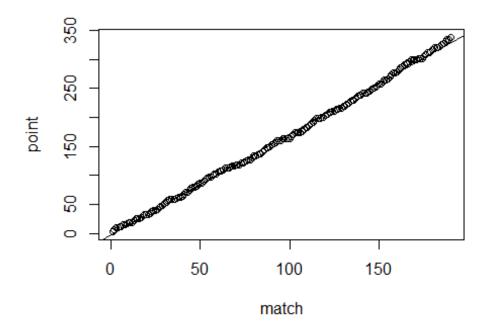
```
prediction_milan
## 38
## 69
prediction_inter<-lr(df_point_inter)</pre>
```



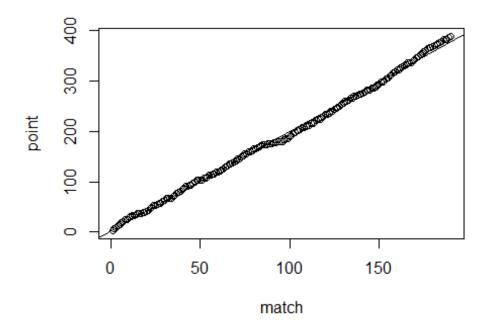
```
prediction_inter

## 38
## 79

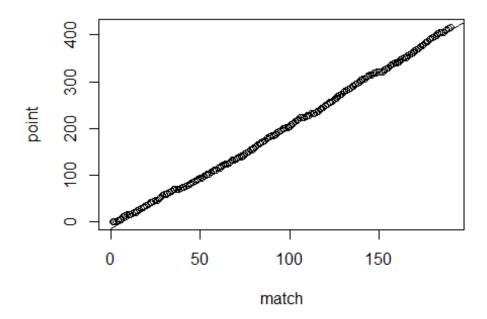
prediction_roma<-lr(df_point_roma)</pre>
```



```
prediction_roma
## 38
## 65
prediction_napoli<-lr(df_point_napoli)</pre>
```



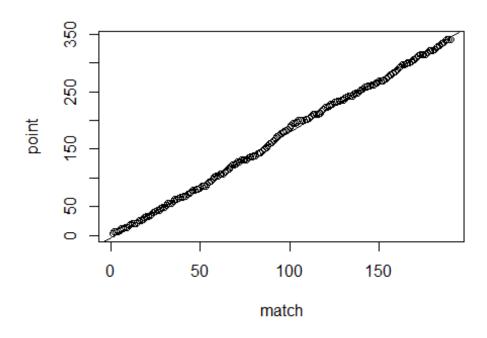
```
prediction_napoli
## 38
## 73
prediction_juve<-lr(df_point_juve)</pre>
```



```
prediction_juve

## 38
## 82

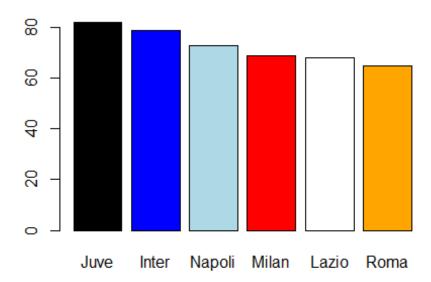
prediction_lazio<-lr(df_point_lazio)</pre>
```



prediction\_lazio

## 38 ## 68

## Prediction of point for the 6 squad



The model at the beginning of the championship would have expected Juventus to win the championship, with a champions zone composed of Inter, Naples and Milan, ending with Lazio and Rome.

This is a small example of how data can be used on a sport, and how in general, data analysis is becoming increasingly important in any field.