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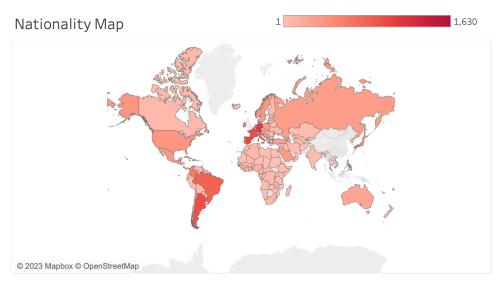
Data Overview

Player Nationality Map:

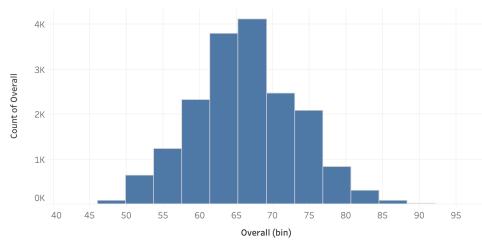
- Visual representation of player nationalities worldwide
- Europe and South America prominently featured

Distribution of Overall rating:

- Unified bell curve shape observed when categorizing players into overall rating bins



Curve of Overall



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Data Overview (cont'd)

Wage-Value Relationship:

- Cluster plot visualizing the correlation between player wage and value.

Four Distinct Clusters:

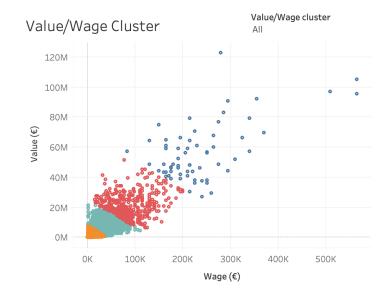
- Green Cluster: 15,076 players (61.16%) - Yellow Cluster: 2,429 players (9.87%) - Red Cluster: 412 players (1.67%) - Blue Cluster: 64 players (0.26%)

Overall-Value Relationship:

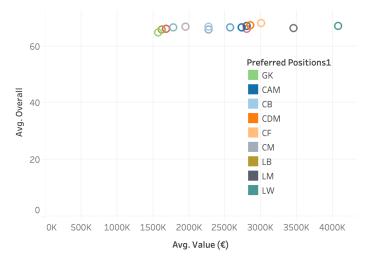
- Chart depicting the average value vs. average overall for each player position.

Noticable Findings:

- All positions appear close in average overall rating.
- Significant value difference (~2.5 m) between the highest position, LW and the lowest GK $\,$



Position - Overall vs Value



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Attackers

Definition of Attackers:

- Include players with preferred positions of LW, RW, CF, and ST.

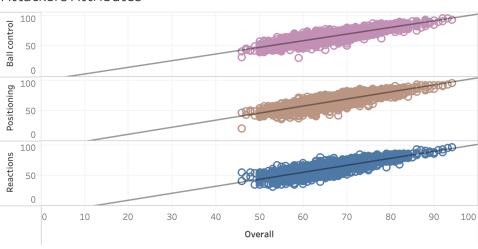
Key Attributes and R-Squared:

- The three primary attributes with the highest R-squared to Overall rating: Ball Control, Position, and Reactions.

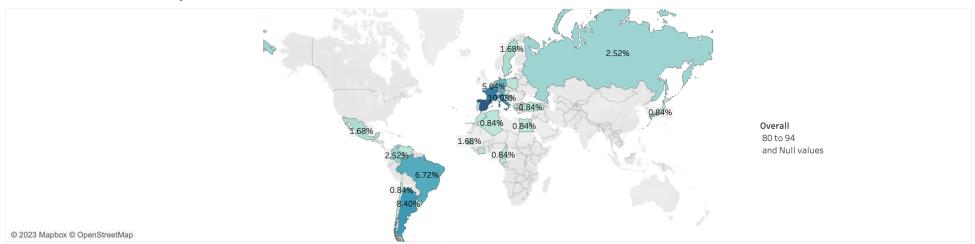
Surprising Omissions:

- Attackers are commonly associated with attributes such as speed and finishing, both had low R-Squared

Attackers Attributes



80 + Attackers Nationality



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Midfielders

Definition of Attackers:

- Include players with preferred positions of RM, LM, CAM, CM and CDM

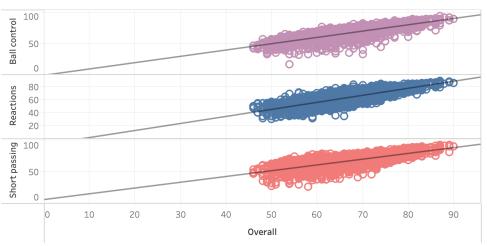
Key Attributes and R-Squared:

- The three primary attributes with the highest R-squared to Overall rating: Ball Control, Reactions and Short passing.
- Same 2 attribitutes from attackers

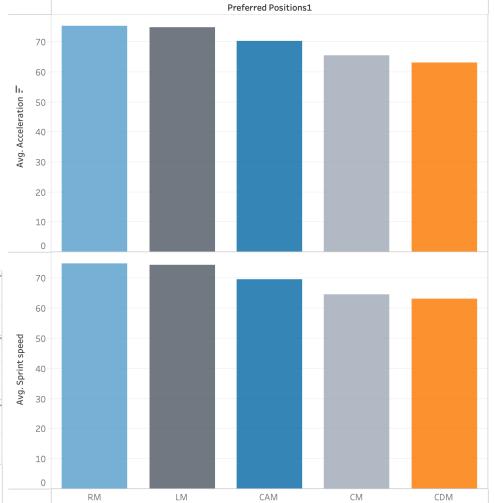
Midfield Pace Comparison:

- LM and RM are fastest, understandable since they on the wings

Mid Attributes



Mid Pace



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Defenders

Definition of Attackers:

- Include players with preferred positions of RM, LW, CAM, CM and CDM

Key Attributes and R-Squared:

- The three primary attributes with the highest R-squared to Overall rating: Interceptions, Marking and Reactions. --> Reaction is also here

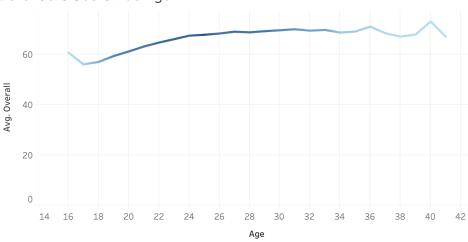
Contrasting Attributes:

- Note the counterintuitive findings: Strength and Speed, commonly sought by FIFA players, have low R-squared.

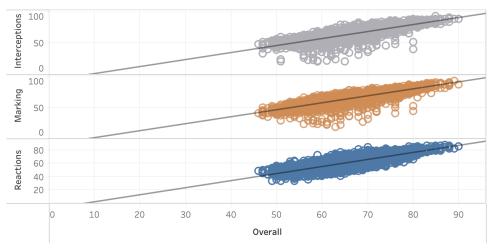
Age Perception Challenge:

-Challenges the common belief that defenders typically improve with age compared to other positions

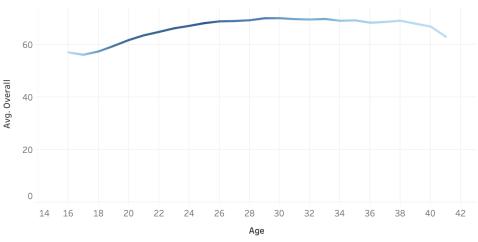
Defenders Overall VS Age



Defenders Attributes



All other players



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GoalKeepers

GK Nationalities



Goalkeeper Key Attributes:

- The three crucial attributes with the highest R-squared for goalkeepers: are Diving, Positioning, and Reflexes.
- Makes sense as keepers have different qualities than outfield players.

Geographical Distribution:

- Map highlights high-rated goalkeepers, are mostly European even compared to South America
- Lack of GK development worldwide

GK attribitues

