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Organised and highly professional coach/analyst, with an experience working for Premier League and Championship teams. Proficient in Wyscout, Statsbomb, Instat, Opta Stats and Hudl. I have a coaching background and hold Talent ID Level 1 and The FA Coaching Football Level 2 badges. I understand the impact analytics can have on assessing player performance. Currently Analyst at Steven Gerrard Academy. Additionally, I possess in-depth knowledge of English, Slovak, Czech, and Hungarian football leagues. My area of expertise are defensive situations such as shape and transition.

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Employment Experience

September 2023 – Performance Analyst, Steven Gerrard Academy, Steven Gerrard Academy U21 Development Team, League: North West U21 Development League

- Analyzing and coding matches for U21 and U18 teams.
- Maintaining statistical databases and dashboards in PowerBL efficiently to ensure data is ready and available.
- Liaising and communicating with coaches in preparation for analysis sessions and meeting deadlines.

June 2023 – Sep 2023, First Team Scout, Bowers and Pitsea FC, United Kingdom

- Attended and watched assigned games in the region.
- Complied with all scouting protocols implemented by the department.
- Produced reports on individual players or teams. Evaluated player potential and detailed abilities by analysing online footage and live broadcasts.

July 2022 – June 2023 (Part-Time)

Quality Assurance Member, Tottenham Hotspur Football Club

- Supported the Quality Assurance team with enhanced know-how about Customer Service.
- Ensured service standards are being met and delivered by the matchday teams through observations and knowledge quizzes.
- Monitored and updated of Club Brand and visual identity through Quality Assurance.

Jun 2022 – Dec 2023

Assistant Researcher for Atletico Ottawa (Canadian Premier League), Football Manager, Sports Interactive

- Working remotely, collecting and organizing data and statistics for the first team, contributing to the creation of a comprehensive research database recognized as one of the largest in the world.
- Monitoring and tracking the club's activities in the transfer market, staying up-to-date with player transfers and potential signings.

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Oct 2019 - Sep 2020

Football Youth Coach, Derby County Community Trust

- Designed and implemented engaging football sessions for children aged U7 to U14.
- Conducted coaching sessions in schools and weekend coaching clubs, providing guidance and mentorship to young players.
- Created comprehensive session plans to ensure well-structured and productive training activities.
- Monitored the progress and development of individual players, offering constructive feedback and personalised guidance.

Education

09/2020 – 11/21 MSc Sport and Exercise Psychology, Northumbria University (graduated with commendation), United Kingdom

- Thesis project focused on an exploratory study on the psychological states of coaches' referees upon their return to sport after COVID-19. Psychometric research that measures human responses to the pandemic's situation.
- Accredited degree by the British Psychological Society (BPS) as Stage 1 training.

09/2016 – 07/2019 BA (Hons) Sport Management, University of Derby (2:1), United Kingdom

- Developed in-depth knowledge of sport marketing, media, PR, finance, events, operations, and international sport.
- Dissertation research focused on football coaches at Derby County Community Trust: Understanding the coaches 'needs and development which earned a 70% (first-class) grade.
- Accomplished communication skills, both written and oral, developed through numerous essays and presentations.

Additional skills

Completed The FA Level 2 in Coaching Football and The FA Level 1 Talent ID. Proficient in Microsoft Office - Outlook, Excel, PowerPoint, Word and Access. Proficient in Wyscout, Tableau. Fluent in speaking four languages (Czech, Slovakian, Hungarian, English).

Tableau Public profile: <https://public.tableau.com/app/profile/rod.val/vizzes>

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Tableau Work Example



Formation: 4-2-3-1

Strengths

They are hard-working team with good wingers especially number 7. Their midfield seemed strong, and their midfielders are physically strong and good in the air. They can keep the possession and were good in passing.

Weaknesses

Probably their weakness is their back four. They don't have great centre backs in terms of being quick and strong. They are strong in the air but not on the ball. They also leave a big gap between them meaning the opposition striker has more space to move into channels. The team tried to play press all the time which is not possible and were out of fitness in the 40th minute. Also, they were not that clinical in finishing having around 7 shots and scoring only one goal (with one goal after an error).

Out of possession shape



In possession shape



*number 5 was replaced by the number 20 in the first 10 minutes

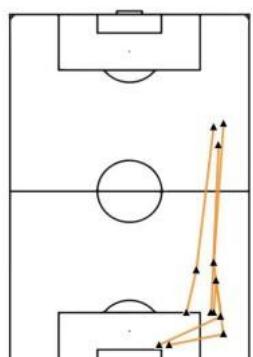
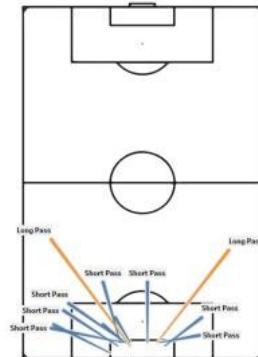


The images above display how the team played in and out of possession. Out of possession, they tried to overload the midfield with number 8 being in front of centre-backs. They played a high press but only first 40 minutes as they tried to trigger it all the time which turned out to be really hard because of fitness levels.

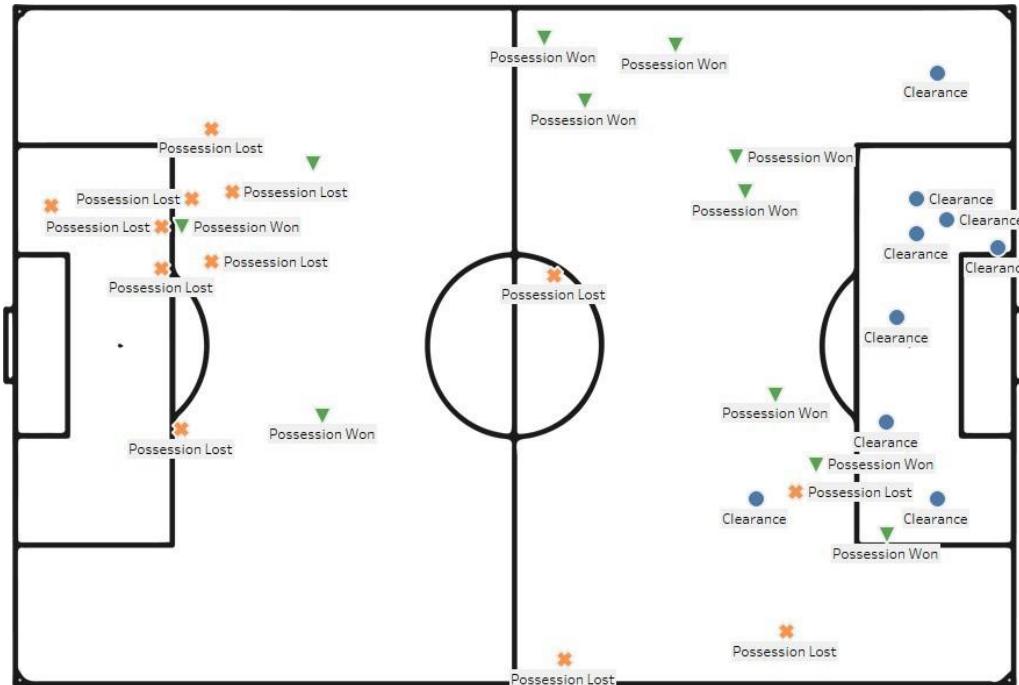
As soon as they regained possession, they tried to find the wingers (number 7 and 11) with the striker (number 9) moving deeper into the midfield leaving space behind him. There was also a gap between their centre-backs which in counterattack can be a big weakness since there is a big space between them.

Most used pattern of play

GK Distribution

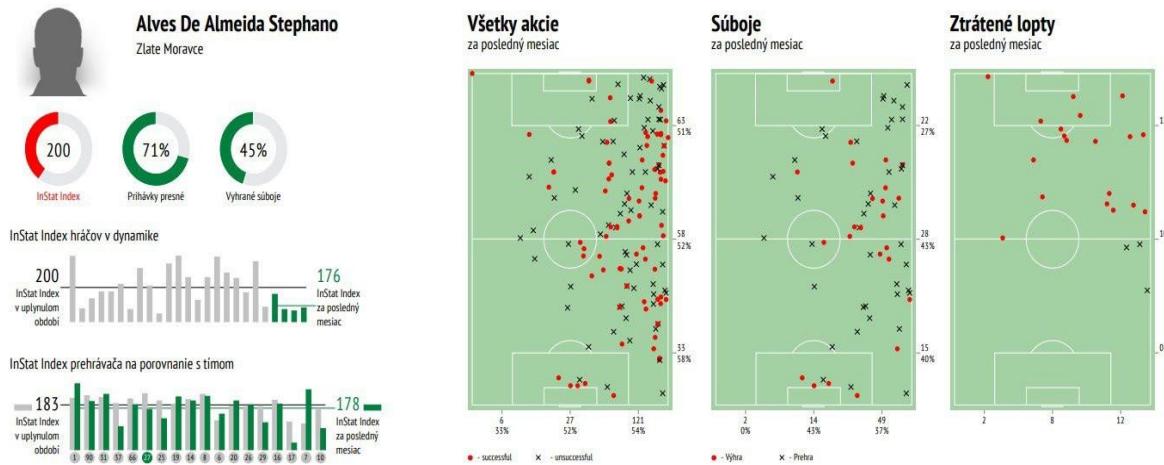


GK distribution was mainly through short passes with an occasional long pass to wingers. He is strong on a ball but sometimes when a high press is put on him, he can do mistakes (for example the penalty he made). If there is a good press triggered on the team there is a huge chance of scoring a goal.



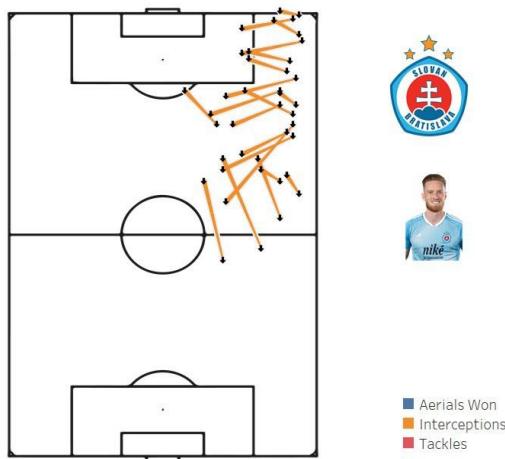
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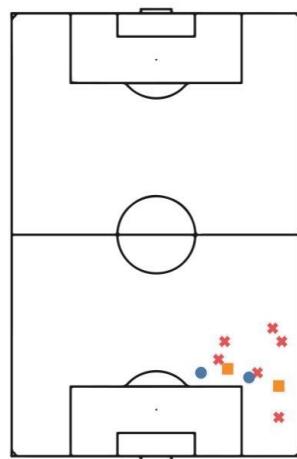


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Pass Map



Actions during the game



Goals and Assist per 90 minutes vs Matches Played

