Ryder Cup 2023

Data Visualisation using Data Golf API









	Europe			USA		
	Average	Min	Max	Average	Min	Max
World Rank	30.1	2	91	12.8	1	25
Data Golf Rank	31.3	1	127	16.1	2	60
Strokes Gained	1.31	0.32	2.47	1.61	0.92	2.82



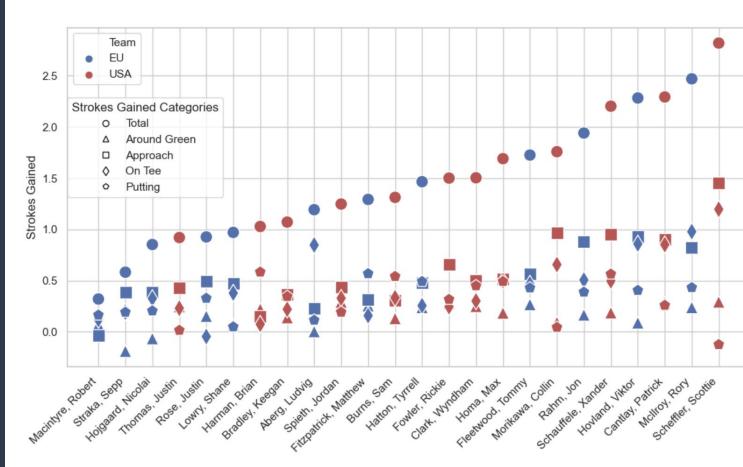
US higher ranked team both on world ranking and data golf ranking

Strokes Gained By Category

Higher is better - Ordered by SG Total

Strokes Gained:

Compare each player vs. the average PGA tour field





Evenly matched with top-mid players (first 9 players alternating in ranking)



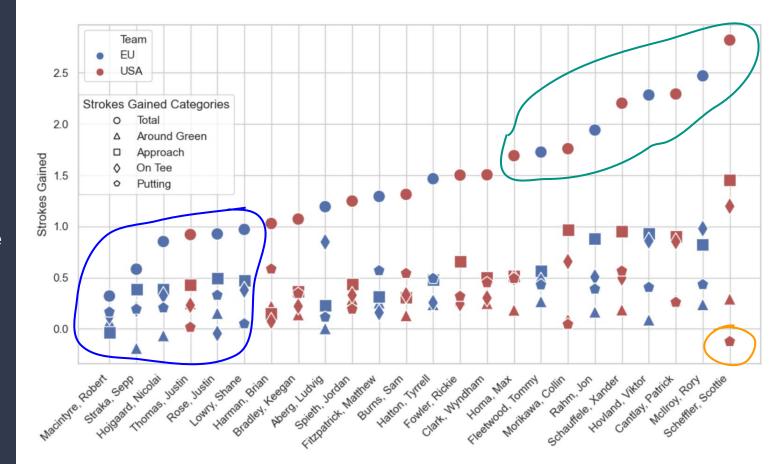
Europe has significantly weaker tail of players



Scheffler's putting is the worst (second to worst of any category only ahead of Sepp around green)

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Team Radar Charts

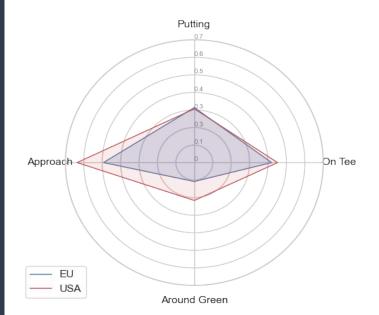
US better at approach shots and around green

Even match on tee and putting

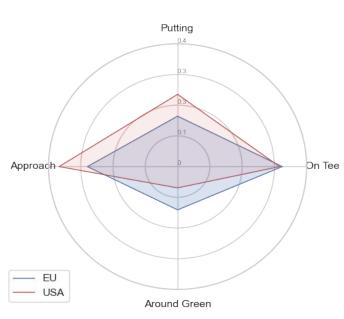
US got higher variance within team for approach and putting (Scheffler outlier on both)

EU especially weak around the green (Sepp, Hoojgaard and Aberg)

Average Strokes Gained By Category Higher is better



Team Standard Deviation By Category Lower might be better



Very strong US top

Scheffler uniquely strong for each distance and turf



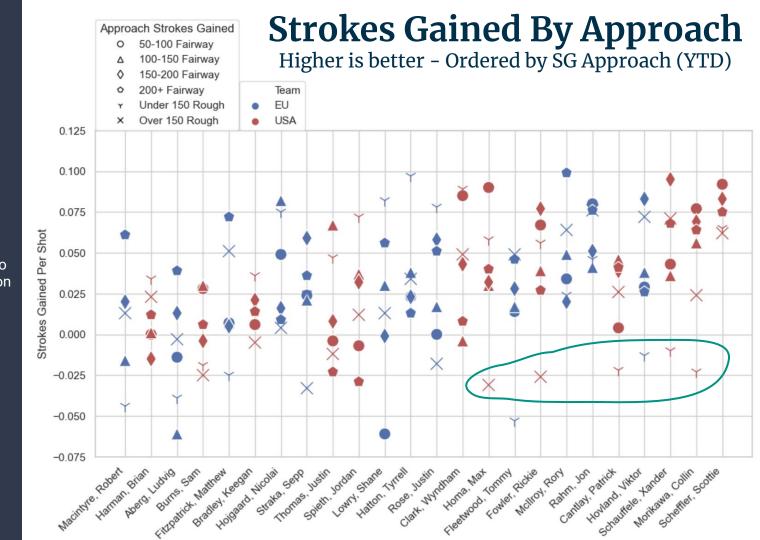
US top players are weaker from the rough (potential EU course setup play)

Rahm/McIlroy/Fleetwood also very strong with low dispersion

Lower end of ranking the EU got higher dispersion vs US

US Players Harman/Burns/Bradley weak but consistent across

Aberg and Lowry losing strokes from fairway



Driving Distance and Accuracy

Europe higher spread of the tee

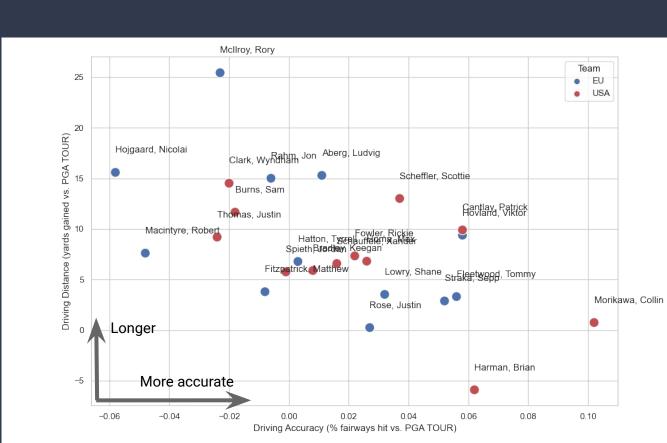
Top 4 distance players are EU

US is shorter while more consistent

Scheffler, Aberg, Cantlay and Hovland are well balanced and strong

Collin with incredible accuracy off the tee

Hoojgaard, Macintyre and Harman weak outliers



Summary



What team is favoured in the Ryder Cup?

- Top and mid players are very even in terms of match-up
- EU lacking a strong tail end of players
- Managing weak tail + home field advantage probably makes very competitive tournament

What are each teams key strengths/weaknesses?

- US top players are weak from rough and EU players are weaker around the green
- Indicating that course setup could be to grow out heavier rough and make green side play easier

Was Ludvig Aberg a wild pick?

- No, backed up by YTD strokes gained and improvement last two years + win at DP world tour
- Weak around green and some approach play but top in the world from the tee

Thank You

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