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### 1 Executive Summary

The purpose of this study was to gain insights into the world of Soccer. Specifically, to better understand the following questions: what makes a good player, what determines if a talented young prospect will amount to a good player, and what determines a player's value on the transfer market. Our intentions are that this study is the first of several, and that it serves as a basis for future exploration into the world of Soccer via Machine Learning and Deep Learning. The data for our study revolves around the FIFA 18 video game by EA Sports. In our dataset the main target variables were overall rating, potential rating, and metrics related to player value, whereas our explanatory features were ratings on a multitude of features having to deal with player skill, athleticism, intelligence and physicality.

In this analysis we were successfully able to get insights into what makes a good player and what determines their market value. We conducted dimensionality reduction with PCA and tuned lasso regression. Additionally we successfully created enhanced value models by position and conducted regression analysis on value and the elasticity of value. An enhanced and reduced value model that eliminates collinearity with feature engineering, and interaction terms as well as out performs the original model was created. We identified the optimal classification methods to predict a players overall rating. Also we came up with our own algorithm to rank features and used GridSearchCV for hyperparameter tuning. Players were clustered based on basic features. The implications of our results can help train AI systems on what to look for when scouting players, and help clubs financially structure contracts based on player attributes.

# 2 Motivations & Background

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easily accessible data, there can be standardization between our modeling and future modeling along with others who decide to explore this topic. The origins of FIFA datasets online usually come from the scraping of sites such as sofifa.com and futwiz.com. Additionally, compared to other publicly available data regarding soccer, the FIFA data set has many more features. These extensive features are also ideal for answering and modeling the questions we seek to answer. Lastly, the current nature of artificial intelligence is highly tuned towards performing in a simulated world, such as a video game. The data for our study revolves around the FIFA 18 video game by EA Sports. Specifically, our dataset is the merging of 2 existing data sets on Kaggle, and both of these datasets web-scraped from sofifa.com. The link to this Kaggle dataset is provided here: https://www.kaggle.com/kevinmh/fifa-18-more-complete-player-dataset. This data set revolves around capturing numerous metrics for all the players in FIFA 18 and provides a vast array of metrics to quantify target variables such as player value, player potential, and player overall rating. However, for the purposes of this project this data had to be somewhat altered and cleaned. The second data set is: https://www.kaggle.com/thec03u5/fifa-18-demo-player-dataset and certain attributes of that data set such as definitive position status and value in terms of millions of euros was merged with the first dataset. Extensive data cleaning, scraping, and creation was done to create a FIFA data lake. As this is not the purpose of this analysis, we will not delve too deeply into the procedure of how we conducted this. However, to reference how this was done please visit: https://github.com/Lucasnewman5732/FIFA\_Analytics. Lastly, for parts of our analysis we segmented the data by position group. Specifically, the position groups were: forwards, wingers, center midfielders, full backs, center backs, and goal keepers.

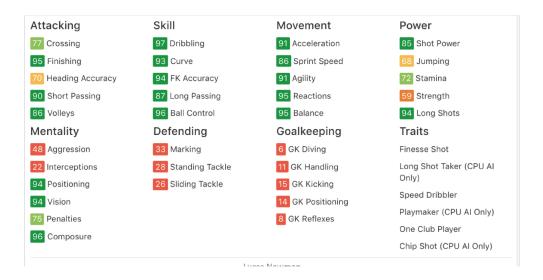
# 3 Data Description

In our dataset the main target variables were overall rating, potential rating, and metrics related to player value. These metrics were: "eur\_value" a players value in euros on the transfer market, "Value (M)" their value in millions of euros, and "ln\_value" the natural log of their value. Overall rating is essentially the grade on how good a player is, while the potential rating is the grade on what their ceiling is estimated to be.

Overall and potential are ratings (of integer type) on a scale of 0-100 and were treated as numerical data during regression and, as categorical data during classification. All the variables used for value were treated as numerical variables (of float type). The descriptive variables were "Name" (player names), "ID" (the unique player ID from sofifa.com), "club" (the team the player plays on), "club\_id" (a unique ID for the club created via cat-coder), "league" (the league a player plays in), and "league\_id" (a unique ID created for each league via cat-coder). The explanatory variables used were "age", "height\_cm", "weight\_kg" and all the features in the figure below:



image1



# 4 Data Import, Transformations & Preliminary Analysis

The libraries utilized in this study are:

```
In [1]: from IPython.core.interactiveshell import InteractiveShell
        InteractiveShell.ast_node_interactivity = "all"
        #Import all the libraries needed
        import numpy as np
        import random
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        import pandas as pd
        from mpl_toolkits.mplot3d import Axes3D
        import statsmodels.formula.api as smf
        from statsmodels.formula.api import *
        from statsmodels.formula.api import ols
        from scipy.stats import t
        from scipy.interpolate import *
        from matplotlib.pyplot import *
        from scipy.stats import *
        import statsmodels.api as sm
        from sympy import symbols, diff
        import math
        import sklearn
        import os
        import seaborn as sns
        from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
        from sklearn.linear_model import Ridge
        from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
        from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
        from sklearn.linear_model import Ridge
        from sklearn.cluster import KMeans
        from matplotlib.ticker import PercentFormatter
```

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from numpy import linspace
from sklearn.decomposition import PCA
from sklearn.preprocessing import scale
from statsmodels.multivariate.pca import PCA
from sklearn.decomposition import PCA
from sklearn.metrics import r2_score
from math import sqrt
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
from sklearn import metrics
from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
from sklearn.linear_model import LassoCV
from sklearn.linear_model import RidgeCV
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error, accuracy_score
from sklearn.ensemble import GradientBoostingRegressor
from sklearn.model_selection import cross_validate
from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
from sklearn import metrics
from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
from sklearn.model_selection import KFold
from sklearn.model_selection import ShuffleSplit
from sklearn.metrics import recall_score
from statsmodels.graphics.api import abline_plot
%matplotlib inline
```

Data Frame creations: Here we transform our original dataset to add ln\_value as well as divide it up into the position groups we want, and lastly we create a dataframe that will be the basis of our analysis.

```
complete = pd.concat([lnVal, complete_df], axis=1)
         #We now have a column with ln(eur\_value/100,000)+1 so we can then calculate elasticity
         #Note we had to add 1 because there were some values = 0 and ln(0) is undefined. This u
         #that were equal to zero will now be 1 and ln(1)=0
In [23]: clubs = complete['club'].unique().tolist()
         #len(clubs)
         club_df=complete.copy()
         club_df = complete.assign(id=(complete['club']).astype('category').cat.codes)
         club_ids = club_df['id'].unique().tolist()
         #len(club_ids)
         club_df=club_df.reset_index()
         complete=club_df.copy()
         #Note "'ID' is player ID and 'id' is team ID"
         #club_df.to_csv("EncodedDF_withLnVal")
         #writer = pd.ExcelWriter('output.xlsx')
         #club_df.to_excel(writer, 'EncodedDF_withLnVal')
         data = complete.assign(id=(complete['league']).astype('category').cat.codes)
         data=data.reset_index()
         #complete.isnull().any(axis=0)
         #complete.isnull().sum(axis=0)
In [24]: complete.head()
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Here we create various feature lists for easier use later.

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In [26]: # use complete.columns
In [25]: card_attr=['pac', 'sho', 'pas', 'dri', 'defend', 'phy', 'gk_handling',
                      'international_reputation', 'skill_moves',
                'weak_foot', 'att_rate_High', 'att_rate_Low', 'att_rate_High',
                     'defend_rate_High','defend_rate_Low']
         descriptive=['club','age', 'league', 'height_cm', 'weight_kg']
         overall_target = ['Overall']
         potential_target=['Potential']
         value_target=['Value (M)']
         ln_value=['ln_value']
         eur_value=['eur_value']
         card_attr=['pac', 'sho', 'pas','dri', 'defend', 'phy' , 'reactions',
                      'international_reputation', 'skill_moves',
                'weak_foot', 'att_rate_High', 'att_rate_Low', 'att_rate_High',
                     'defend_rate_High','defend_rate_Low']
         attribute_profile=['age', 'height_cm', 'weight_kg', 'crossing', 'finishing', 'heading_a
                'short_passing', 'volleys', 'dribbling', 'curve', 'free_kick_accuracy',
                'long_passing', 'ball_control', 'acceleration', 'sprint_speed',
                'agility', 'reactions', 'balance', 'shot_power', 'jumping', 'stamina',
                'strength', 'long_shots', 'aggression', 'interceptions', 'positioning',
                'vision', 'penalties', 'composure', 'marking', 'standing_tackle',
                'sliding_tackle', 'gk_diving', 'gk_handling', 'gk_kicking',
                'gk_positioning', 'gk_reflexes']
         targets=['Overall','Potential', 'Value (M)', 'ln_value', 'eur_value']
         gk=['age','height_cm', 'weight_kg','gk_diving', 'gk_handling', 'gk_kicking',
                'gk_positioning', 'gk_reflexes' ]
         all_attr=['pac', 'sho', 'pas', 'dri', 'defend', 'phy',
                      'international_reputation', 'skill_moves', 'weak_foot', 'age', 'height_cm',
                'short_passing', 'volleys', 'dribbling', 'curve', 'free_kick_accuracy',
                'long_passing', 'ball_control', 'acceleration', 'sprint_speed',
                'agility', 'reactions', 'balance', 'shot_power', 'jumping', 'stamina',
                'strength', 'long_shots', 'aggression', 'interceptions', 'positioning',
                'vision', 'penalties', 'composure', 'marking', 'standing_tackle',
                'sliding_tackle', 'gk_diving', 'gk_handling', 'gk_kicking',
                'gk_positioning', 'gk_reflexes', 'att_rate_Low', 'att_rate_High',
                     'defend_rate_High', 'defend_rate_Low', 'age']
```

Here we obtain some basic statistics on our descriptvie variables, target variables, and explanatory variables using the pandas describe method.

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In [27]: explanatory=complete[descriptive]
         player_card=complete[card_attr]
         numeric_metrics=complete[attribute_profile]
         targets=complete[targets]
         explanatory.describe().transpose()
         numeric_metrics.describe().transpose()
         player_card.describe().transpose()
         targets.describe().transpose()
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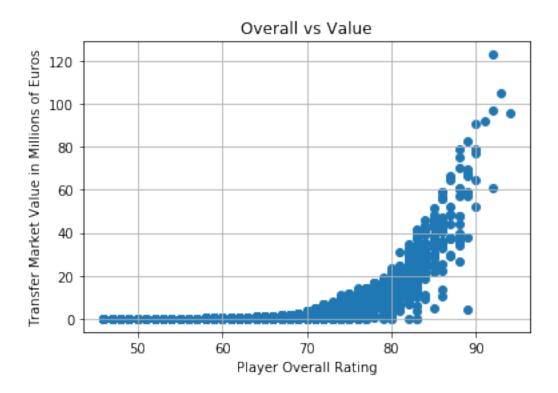
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gk_kicking	17739.0	16.388748	16.623162	1.0	8.0	11.0
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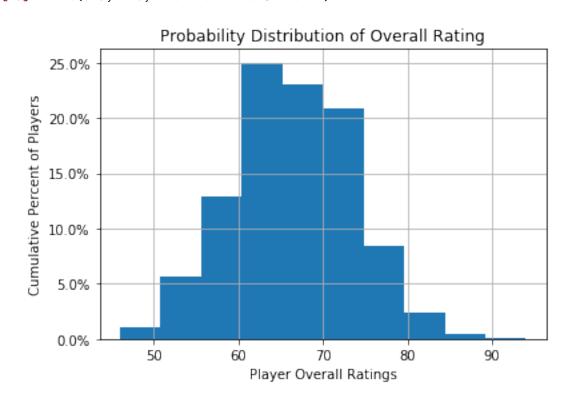
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         Overall
                     17739.0
                              6.631687e+01
                                              6.940958e+00
                                                             46.0
                                                                       62.000000
         Potential
                     17739.0
                                              6.103628e+00
                                                             46.0
                                                                       67.000000
                               7.121923e+01
         Value (M)
                     17739.0
                               2.405757e+00
                                              5.382428e+00
                                                              0.0
                                                                         0.325000
         ln_value
                     17739.0
                               2.309136e+00
                                              1.236539e+00
                                                              0.0
                                                                         1.446919
         eur_value
                     17739.0
                               2.414659e+06
                                              5.394812e+06
                                                              0.0
                                                                   325000.000000
```

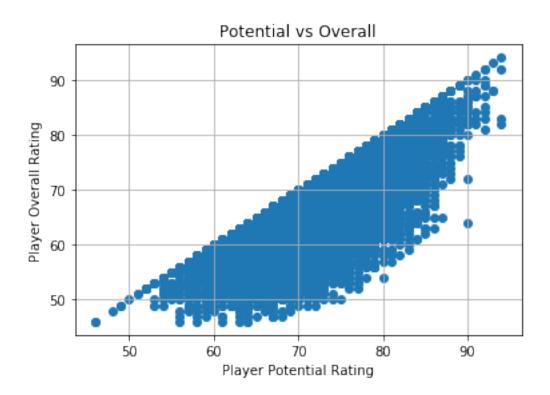
	50%	75%	max
Overall	66.000000	7.100000e+01	9.400000e+01
Potential	71.000000	7.500000e+01	9.400000e+01
Value (M)	0.700000	2.100000e+00	1.230000e+02
ln_value	2.079442	3.091042e+00	7.115582e+00
eur_value	700000.000000	2.100000e+06	1.230000e+08

As seen above we have data on 17739 different players and there are no null values in our data. Summary statistics are provided above for many different features. For example in regards to overall rating the lowest rating is a 46, the mean is 67, the maximum is 94 and there is a standard deviation about 7. For some exploratory analysis on how these features relate to each other and the kinds of distributions they have we will create several visualizations.



```
In [29]: from matplotlib.ticker import PercentFormatter
         data = np.array(complete[overall_target])
         plt.hist(data, weights=np.ones(len(data)) / len(data))
         plt.xlabel("Player Overall Ratings")
         plt.ylabel(" Cumulative Percent of Players ")
         plt.title("Probability Distribution of Overall Rating")
         plt.gca().yaxis.set_major_formatter(PercentFormatter(1))
         plt.grid(True)
         fig,ax=plt.subplots()
         Overall=complete['Overall']
         Potential=complete['Potential']
         ax.scatter(Potential,Overall)
         plt.xlabel('Player Potential Rating')
         plt.ylabel('Player Overall Rating')
         plt.title('Potential vs Overall')
         plt.grid(True)
```





```
In [30]: fig,ax=plt.subplots()

Age=complete['age']
Overall=complete['Overall']
ax.scatter(Age,Overall)
plt.xlabel('Player Age')
plt.ylabel('Player Overall Rating')
plt.title(' vs Overall')

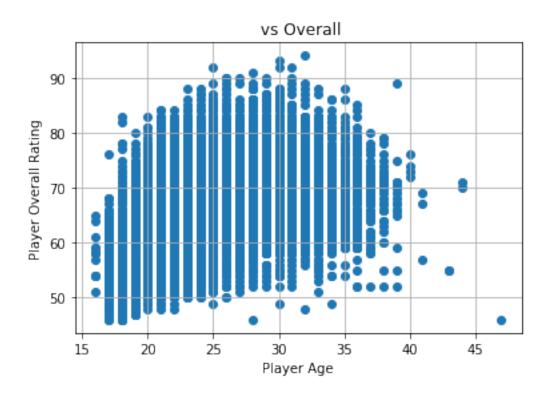
plt.grid(True)

Out[30]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at Ox11bf54588>

Out[30]: Text(0.5, 0, 'Player Age')

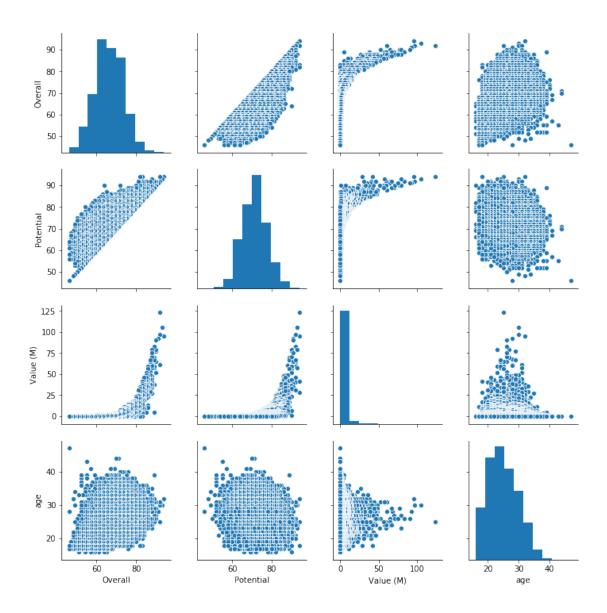
Out[30]: Text(0, 0.5, 'Player Overall Rating')

Out[30]: Text(0, 0.5, 'Player Overall Rating')
```



In [32]: sns.pairplot(complete[['Overall', 'Potential', 'Value (M)', 'age']])

Out[32]: <seaborn.axisgrid.PairGrid at 0x1c22a42080>



In [33]: #Distribution of Overall by Position
 # center mids
 cm = complete[complete['Position'].isin(['CM', 'CDM', 'CAM'])]
 cm = sns.FacetGrid(cm, col="Position")
 cm.map(sns.kdeplot, "Overall")

#defenders
 defend=complete[complete['Position'].isin(['CB', 'RB', 'LB'])]
 defend = sns.FacetGrid(defend, col="Position")
 defend.map(sns.kdeplot, "Overall")

#wingers
 wing=complete[complete['Position'].isin(['LM', 'RM', 'LW', 'RW'])]

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wing=sns.FacetGrid(wing, col="Position")
wing.map(sns.kdeplot, "Overall")

#goalies and forwards
gk_and_forwards=complete[complete['Position'].isin(['GK', 'CF', 'ST'])]
gk_and_forwards = sns.FacetGrid(gk_and_forwards, col="Position")
gk_and_forwards.map(sns.kdeplot, "Overall")
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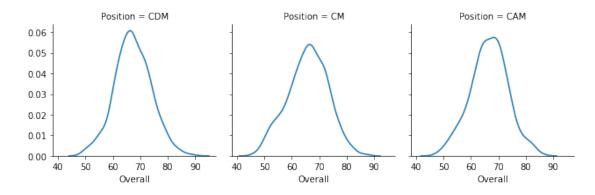
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/scipy/stats/stats.py:1713: FutureWarnin return np.add.reduce(sorted[indexer] \* weights, axis=axis) / sumval

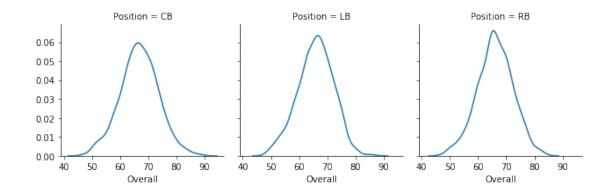
Out[33]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x10a49b390>

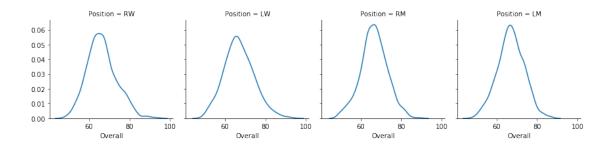
Out[33]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x1c50ab6898>

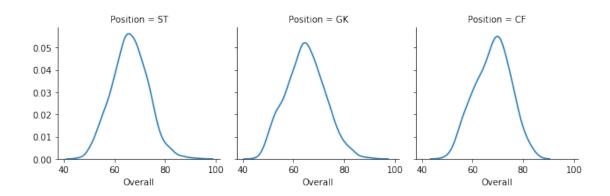
Out[33]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x1c4ecf7f98>

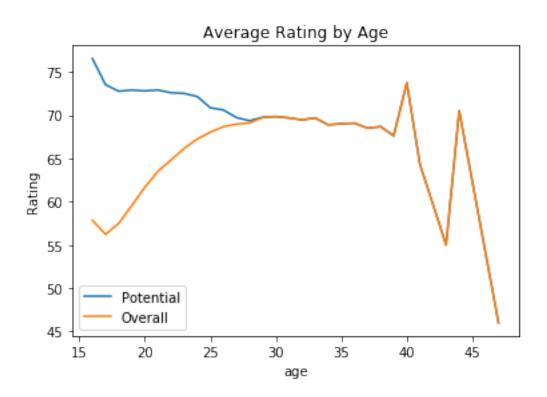
Out[33]: <seaborn.axisgrid.FacetGrid at 0x1c228a28d0>









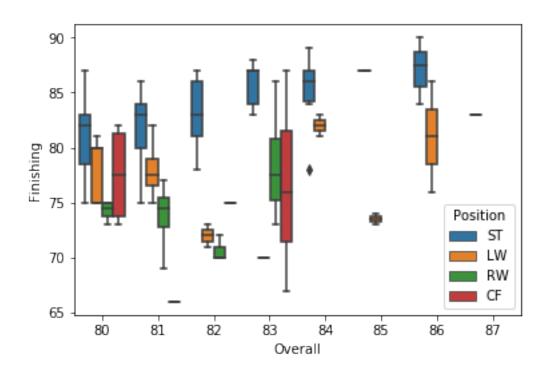


/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/pandas/core/indexing.py:1472: FutureWar Passing list-likes to .loc or [] with any missing label will raise KeyError in the future, you can use .reindex() as an alternative.

See the documentation here:

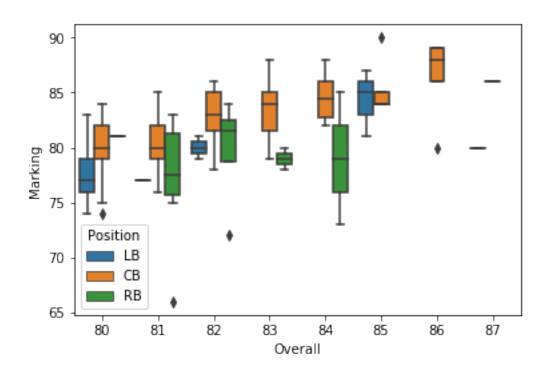
https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/indexing.html#deprecate-loc-reindex-listlike return self.\_getitem\_tuple(key)

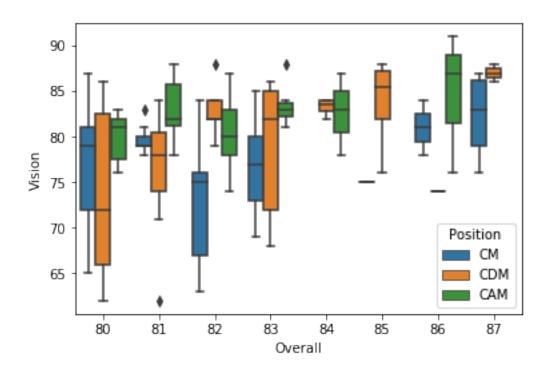
Out[35]: <matplotlib.axes.\_subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1c4d020ef0>

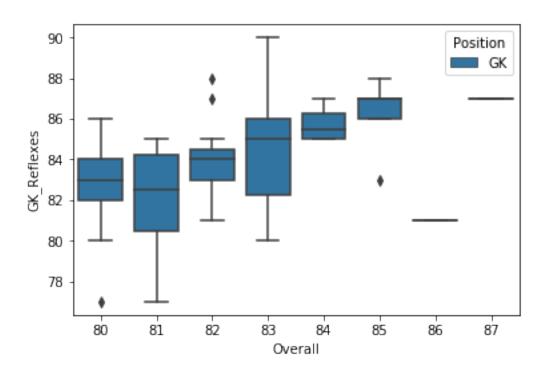


Out[36]: <matplotlib.axes.\_subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1c4ba044a8>

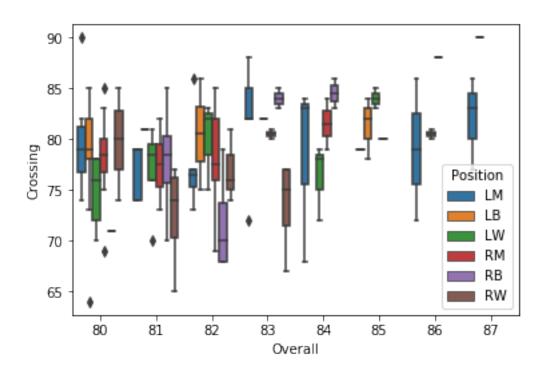
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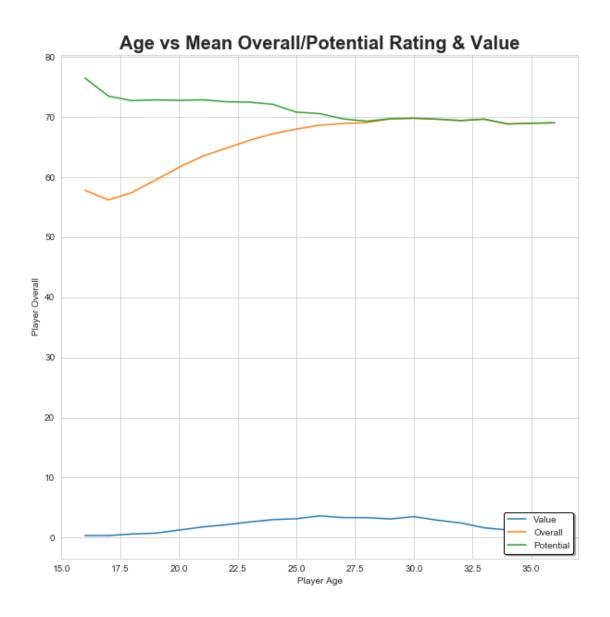


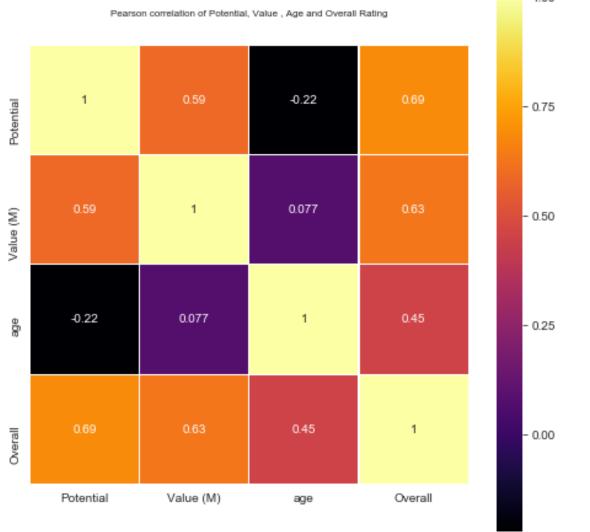
Out[39]: <matplotlib.axes.\_subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1c53b5b5c0>



```
In [42]: # Selecting players with age smaller then 36
         complete36 = complete.loc[complete['age'] <= 36]</pre>
         # Selecting unique ages from DF
         age = complete36.sort_values("age")['age'].unique()
         # Selecting average Overall from DF
         ovr = complete36.groupby("age")["Overall"].mean().values
         # Selecting average potential from DF
         potential = complete36.groupby("age")["Potential"].mean().values
         # Selecting average value from DF
         value=complete36.groupby("age")["Value (M)"].mean().values
         plt.figure()
         plt.figure(figsize=(10,10))
         plt.title('Age vs Mean Overall/Potential Rating & Value', fontsize=20, fontweight='bold
         plt.xlabel('Player Age', fontsize=10)
         plt.ylabel('Player Overall', fontsize=10)
         sns.set_style("whitegrid")
         plt.plot(age, value, label="Value")
         plt.plot(age, ovr, label="Overall")
         plt.plot(age, potential, label="Potential")
         plt.legend(loc=4, prop={'size': 10}, frameon=True, shadow=True, facecolor="white", edged
         plt.show()
Out[42]: <Figure size 432x288 with 0 Axes>
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Out[42]: <Figure size 720x720 with 0 Axes>
Out[42]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Age vs Mean Overall/Potential Rating & Value')
Out[42]: Text(0.5, 0, 'Player Age')
Out[42]: Text(0, 0.5, 'Player Overall')
Out[42]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x1c579b8128>]
Out[42]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x1c577b9898>]
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<Figure size 432x288 with 0 Axes>
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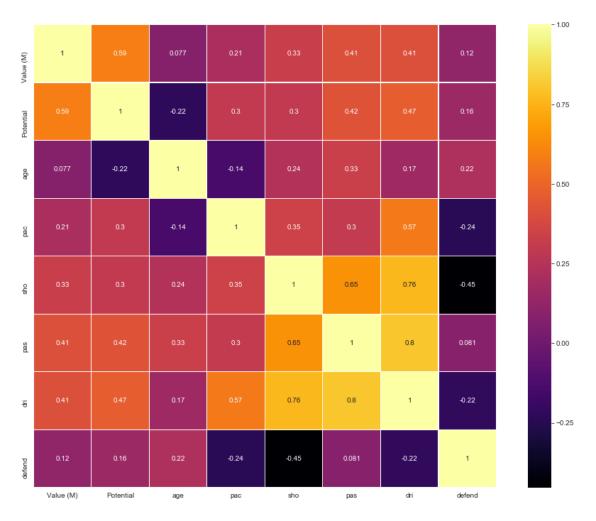


```
In [44]: #correlation of basic features with value and potential
         corr_variables = complete[["Value (M)", "Potential", "age", "pac", "sho", "pas", "dri",
         colormap = plt.cm.inferno
         plt.figure(figsize=(16,12))
         plt.title('Pearson correlation of Value, Potential , Age and Player Card Attributes',
                   y=1.05, size=15)
         sns.heatmap(corr_variables.corr(),linewidths=0.1,vmax=1.0,
                     square=True, cmap=colormap, linecolor='white', annot=True)
Out[44]: <Figure size 1152x864 with 0 Axes>
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Out[44]: Text(0.5, 1.05, 'Pearson correlation of Value, Potential , Age and Player Card Attribut

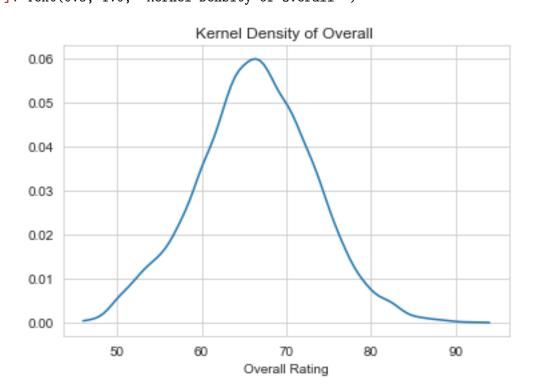
Out[44]: <matplotlib.axes.\_subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1c5436b5f8>

Pearson correlation of Value, Potential, Age and Player Card Attributes

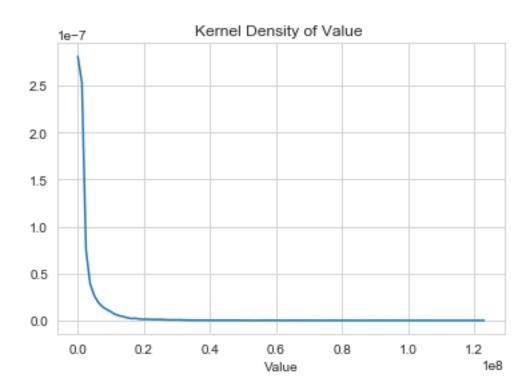


Pearson correlation of Potential , with Athleticism and Mentality													- 0.9									
Potential	1	-0.22	0.0046	-0.012	0.25	0.25	0.23	0.52	0.13	0.29	0.13	0.22	0.11	0.27	0.19	0.17	0.25	0.34	0.4	0.16		
age	-0.22	1	0.076	0.22	-0.16	-0.15	-0.024	0.45	-0.09	0.14	0.16	0.08	0.31	0.14	0.26	0.2	0.075	0.18	0.32	0.059		
height_cm	0.0046	0.076	1	0.77	-0.54	-0.47	-0.63	-0.022	-0.79	-0.29	-0.07	-0.29	0.55	-0.38	-0.048	-0.045	-0.43	-0.37	-0.19	-0.19		
weight_kg	-0.012	0.22	0.77	1	-0.48	-0.42	-0.55	0.069	-0.68	-0.21	-0.0042	-0.24	0.61	-0.29	0.016	-0.027	-0.36	-0.3	-0.12	-0.15		- 0.6
acceleration	0.25	-0.16	-0.54	-0.48	1	0.92	0.8	0.19	0.7	0.54	0.21	0.61	-0.16	0.57	0.25	0.15	0.67	0.46	0.44	0.26		
sprint_speed	0.25	-0.15	-0.47	-0.42	0.92	1	0.75	0.19	0.64		0.24	0.62	-0.084		0.28	0.17	0.66	0.43	0.44	0.25		
agility	0.23	-0.024	-0.63	-0.55	0.8	0.75	1	0.28	0.77	0.57	0.21		-0.25	0.64	0.23	0.13	0.7	0.59	0.49	0.31		
reactions	0.52	0.45	-0.022	0.069	0.19	0.19	0.28	1	0.14	0.4	0.25	0.35	0.28	0.41	0.39	0.33	0.38	0.48	0.59	0.18		- 0.3
balance	0.13	-0.09	-0.79	-0.68	0.7	0.64	0.77	0.14	1	0.45	0.18	0.47	-0.41	0.52	0.18	0.14	0.59	0.49	0.38	0.26		
shot_power	0.29	0.14	-0.29	-0.21	0.54	0.55	0.57	0.4	0.45	1	0.17	0.62	0.16	0.88	0.49	0.27	0.8	0.67	0.7	0.32		
jumping	0.13	0.16	-0.07	-0.0042	0.21	0.24	0.21	0.25	0.18	0.17	1	0.34	0.27	0.11	0.36	0.29	0.12	0.045	0.26	0.058		
stamina	0.22	0.08	-0.29	-0.24	0.61	0.62	0.56	0.35	0.47	0.62	0.34	1	0.25	0.59	0.65	0.57	0.64	0.47	0.61	0.23		- 0.0
strength	0.11	0.31	0.55	0.61	-0.16	-0.084	-0.25	0.28	-0.41	0.16	0.27	0.25	1	0.039	0.46	0.35	-0.0075	-0.058	0.26	-0.027		
long_shots	0.27	0.14	-0.38	-0.29	0.57	0.56	0.64	0.41	0.52	0.88	0.11	0.59	0.039	1	0.39	0.19	0.85	0.75	0.67	0.36		
aggression	0.19	0.26	-0.048	0.016	0.25	0.28	0.23	0.39	0.18	0.49	0.36	0.65	0.46	0.39	1	0.74	0.38	0.29	0.58	0.12		
interceptions	0.17	0.2	-0.045	-0.027	0.15	0.17	0.13	0.33	0.14	0.27	0.29	0.57	0.35	0.19	0.74	1	0.16	0.17	0.45	0.048		0.3
positioning	0.25	0.075	-0.43	-0.36	0.67	0.66	0.7	0.38	0.59	0.8	0.12	0.64	-0.0075	0.85	0.38	0.16	1	0.73	0.65	0.35		
vision	0.34	0.18	-0.37	-0.3	0.46	0.43	0.59	0.48		0.67	0.045	0.47	-0.058	0.75	0.29	0.17	0.73	1	0.63	0.34		
composure	0.4	0.32	-0.19	-0.12	0.44	0.44		0.59	0.38	0.7	0.26	0.61	0.26	0.67	0.58	0.45	0.65	0.63	1	0.3		
weak_foot	0.16	0.059	-0.19	-0.15	0.26	0.25	0.31	0.18	0.26	0.32	0.058	0.23	-0.027	0.36	0.12	0.048	0.35	0.34	0.3	1		0.6
	Potential	əße	haight_cm	weight_kg	acceleration	sprint_speed	agility	reactions	balance	shot_power	guiduní	stamina	strength	long_shots	aggression	interceptions	positioning	vision	composure	weak_foot		

```
In [47]: #Kernel Density of Overall Rating
         from numpy import linspace
         #Kernel Density Estimator
         x= complete.Overall
         kde = gaussian_kde(x)
         dist\_space = linspace(min(x), max(x), 100)
         plt.xlabel('Overall Rating')
         plt.plot(dist_space, kde(dist_space))
         plt.title("Kernel Density of Overall ")
         plt.show()
         #Kernel Density of Value
         x= complete.eur_value
         kde = gaussian_kde(x)
         dist_space = linspace(min(x), max(x), 100)
         plt.xlabel('Value')
         plt.plot(dist_space, kde(dist_space))
         plt.title("Kernel Density of Value ")
         plt.show()
Out[47]: Text(0.5, 0, 'Overall Rating')
Out[47]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x1c583fcb00>]
Out[47]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Kernel Density of Overall ')
```

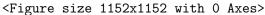


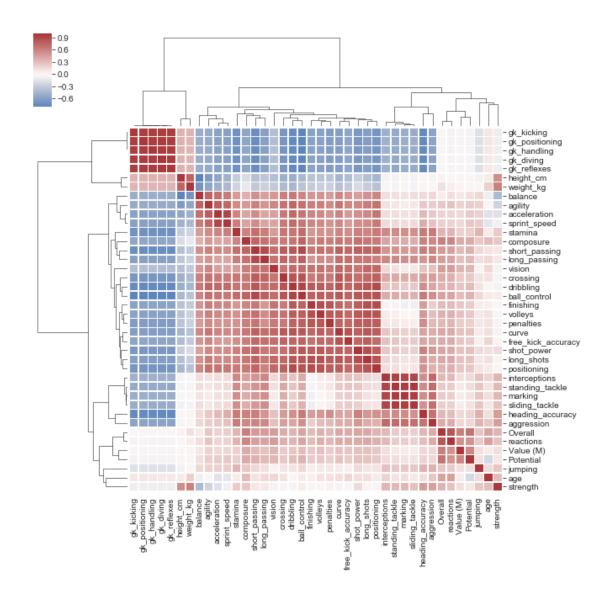
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Out[47]: Text(0.5, 0, 'Value')
Out[47]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x1c58311e48>]
Out[47]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Kernel Density of Value ')
```



```
# Draw the full plot
plt.figure(figsize=(16,16))
sns.clustermap(df.corr(), center=0, cmap="vlag", linewidths=.75)

Out[48]: <Figure size 1152x1152 with 0 Axes>
Out[48]: <seaborn.matrix.ClusterGrid at 0x1c5851c048>
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# 5 Applied Statistical Modeling & Learning

Unsupervised Dimensionality Reduction

We begin our analysis with some unsupervised dimmensionality reduction to determine the effect of omitting models from our models.

```
In [49]: #0ur Model
        X = complete[attribute_profile]
        y_overall=complete[overall_target]
        #Exploring PCA
        from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
        sc = StandardScaler()
        X_std=sc.fit_transform(X)
        cov_mat = np.cov(X_std.T)
        eig_vals, eig_vecs = np.linalg.eig(cov_mat)
        print('Eigenvectors \n%s' %eig_vecs)
        print('\nEigenvalues \n%s' %eig_vals)
        eigen_val=pd.DataFrame(eig_vals)
        eigen_vec=pd.DataFrame(eig_vecs)
        X.shape
        from sklearn.decomposition import PCA
        from sklearn.preprocessing import scale
        dta = scale(X)
        pca = PCA(n_components=37)
        pca.fit(dta)
        #The amount of variance that each PC explains
        var= pca.explained_variance_ratio_
        var.shape
        vardf=pd.DataFrame(var)
        vardf.head()
        #Cumulative Variance explains
        var1=np.cumsum(np.round(pca.explained_variance_ratio_, decimals=3)*100)
        print("\n\nThe cumulative variance explained is:" ,var1)
        plt.plot(var1)
        plt.xlabel('Variables', fontsize=12)
        plt.ylabel('Cumulative Variance Explained', fontsize=12)
        plt.grid(True)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data
 return self.partial_fit(X, y)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn
 return self.fit(X, **fit_params).transform(X)
Eigenvectors
```

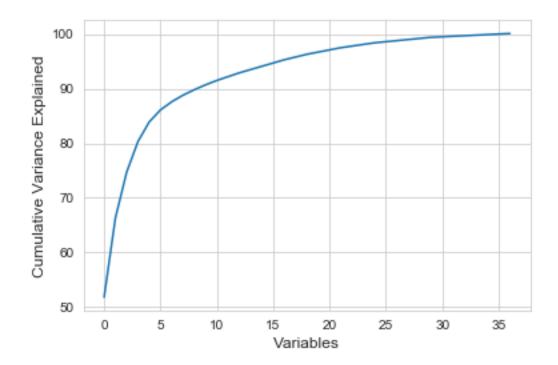
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-1.16424396e-02 -4.04252606e-03]
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       2.23471915e-02 -1.00085395e-02]
    [-9.25594563e-02 \quad 1.80874719e-01 \quad -3.08824513e-01 \quad \dots \quad -4.21718616e-03 
     -1.04913863e-02 6.34894219e-04]
  [-1.93941797e-01 -7.20250238e-02 -1.72165656e-01 ... -1.29811679e-02
    -8.06386989e-02 -8.79592893e-01]
  [-1.94269416e-01 -6.98741900e-02 -1.75710490e-01 ... -5.79467503e-03
       2.15473095e-02 2.89958666e-01]
  [-1.94987564e-01 -7.14351566e-02 -1.72916920e-01 ... -1.48850521e-02
       1.23052410e-02 1.80696323e-01]]
Eigenvalues
[19.17893005 \quad 5.34862594 \quad 3.09351964 \quad 2.07877653 \quad 1.34781746 \quad 0.82207439 \quad 0.822074439 \quad 0.822074489 \quad 0.822074489 \quad 0.82207489 \quad 0
     0.56756527  0.45652984  0.36115814  0.34090087  0.28259051  0.25185916
     0.24481632 \quad 0.23815146 \quad 0.22931382 \quad 0.21347939 \quad 0.20367806 \quad 0.19309225
     0.18120016 \quad 0.15351432 \quad 0.13732522 \quad 0.13266879 \quad 0.12788955 \quad 0.10892294
     0.09439369 0.08856606 0.07864995 0.0752148
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     0.02458609 \quad 0.02710978 \quad 0.03110194 \quad 0.03207754 \quad 0.04326229 \quad 0.03854864
     0.03889521]
Out [49]: (17739, 37)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:21: DataConversion
Out[49]: PCA(copy=True, iterated_power='auto', n_components=37, random_state=None,
                            svd_solver='auto', tol=0.0, whiten=False)
Out[49]: array([0.51832024, 0.14454931, 0.08360393, 0.05617998, 0.03642545,
                                        0.02221697, 0.01533874, 0.01233795, 0.00976048, 0.00921302,
                                        0.00763715, 0.00680662, 0.00661628, 0.00643616, 0.00619732,
                                        0.00576939, 0.0055045, 0.00521842, 0.00489703, 0.0041488,
                                        0.00371128, 0.00358544, 0.00345628, 0.0029437, 0.00255104,
                                        0.00239354, 0.00212555, 0.00203272, 0.00192523, 0.00173078,
                                        0.00116919, 0.00105116, 0.0010418, 0.00086691, 0.00084055,
                                        0.00073266, 0.00066445])
Out [49]: (37,)
Out [49]:
                      0 0.518320
                       1 0.144549
                      2 0.083604
                      3 0.056180
                       4 0.036425
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```
The cumulative variance explained is: [51.8 66.3 74.7 80.3 83.9 86.1 87.6 88.8 89.8 90 92.9 93.5 94.1 94.7 95.3 95.8 96.3 96.7 97.1 97.5 97.8 98.1 98.4 98.6 98.8 99. 99.2 99.4 99.5 99.6 99.7 99.8 99.9 100. 100.1]
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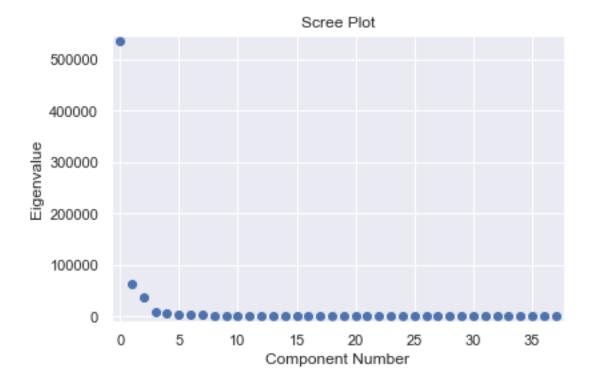
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Out[49]: Text(0.5, 0, 'Variables')

Out[49]: Text(0, 0.5, 'Cumulative Variance Explained')



```
In [50]: #Scree Plot
    dta=pd.concat([y_overall, X], axis=1)
    #scree plot
    from statsmodels.multivariate.pca import PCA
    %matplotlib inline
    import seaborn as sns; sns.set()
    #Plotting a scree plot
    pca_model = PCA(dta.T, standardize=True, demean=True)
    fig = pca_model.plot_scree(log_scale=False)
```



We see that we can explain the vast majority of the variance in our model with roughly 5 varibles, but to account for more than 90% of the cumulative explained variance roughly 10 variables is needed.

## 6 Regression Analysis of Overall Rating

Regression on Overall Rating with Player Attributes:OLS and Robust Regression

Here we test one of our most important assumptions needed for our model: Overall is an aggregated calculation that is based on all of the player features in our attribute\_profile. This assumption is key for our positional value analysis we will conduct later. Thus, we regress our attribute\_profile on overall rating and treat overall rating as a numerical variable.

Dep. Variable: R-squared: Overall 0.846 Model: OLS Adj. R-squared: 0.845 Method: Least Squares F-statistic: 2560. Prob (F-statistic): Date: Thu, 06 Dec 2018 0.00 Time: 16:32:10 Log-Likelihood: -42966. No. Observations: 17739 AIC: 8.601e+04 Df Residuals: 17701 BIC: 8.630e+04

Df Model: 37 Covariance Type: HCO

	========			=======	========	========
	coef	std err	z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]
const	7.6296	1.169	6.527	0.000	5.339	9.921
age	0.0464	0.006	7.399	0.000	0.034	0.059
height_cm	-0.0029	0.006	-0.465	0.642	-0.015	0.009
weight_kg	0.0289	0.005	5.483	0.000	0.019	0.039
crossing	0.0161	0.003	5.834	0.000	0.011	0.022
finishing	0.0271	0.003	7.920	0.000	0.020	0.034
heading_accuracy	0.0965	0.003	31.748	0.000	0.091	0.102
short_passing	0.0769	0.005	15.270	0.000	0.067	0.087
volleys	0.0009	0.003	0.311	0.756	-0.005	0.007
dribbling	0.0143	0.004	3.210	0.001	0.006	0.023
curve	0.0109	0.003	3.916	0.000	0.005	0.016
<pre>free_kick_accuracy</pre>	0.0071	0.003	2.838	0.005	0.002	0.012
long_passing	-0.0163	0.004	-4.591	0.000	-0.023	-0.009
ball_control	0.1549	0.006	27.538	0.000	0.144	0.166
acceleration	0.0351	0.004	8.442	0.000	0.027	0.043
sprint_speed	0.0356	0.004	9.203	0.000	0.028	0.043
agility	-0.0035	0.003	-1.114	0.265	-0.010	0.003
reactions	0.2889	0.004	69.374	0.000	0.281	0.297
balance	-0.0138	0.003	-4.223	0.000	-0.020	-0.007
shot_power	0.0180	0.003	5.847	0.000	0.012	0.024
jumping	0.0070	0.002	3.189	0.001	0.003	0.011
stamina	0.0092	0.003	3.451	0.001	0.004	0.014
strength	0.0281	0.003	9.351	0.000	0.022	0.034
long_shots	-0.0200	0.003	-6.214	0.000	-0.026	-0.014
aggression	-0.0003	0.002	-0.144	0.885	-0.005	0.004
interceptions	0.0083	0.003	2.446	0.014	0.002	0.015
positioning	-0.0539	0.003	-16.388	0.000	-0.060	-0.047
vision	-0.0102	0.003	-3.412	0.001	-0.016	-0.004
penalties	0.0007	0.003	0.250	0.802	-0.005	0.006
composure	0.1031	0.003	30.108	0.000	0.096	0.110
marking	0.0035	0.004	0.839	0.402	-0.005	0.012
standing_tackle	0.0402	0.005	8.093	0.000	0.030	0.050
sliding_tackle	-0.0165	0.005	-3.396	0.001	-0.026	-0.007
gk_diving	0.0740	0.006	12.079	0.000	0.062	0.086
gk_handling	0.0828	0.006	13.140	0.000	0.070	0.095
gk_kicking	0.0371	0.006	6.334	0.000	0.026	0.049

gk_positioning	0.0755	0.006	6 12.473	0.000	0.064	0.087
gk_reflexes	0.0718	0.006	6 11.884	0.000	0.060	0.084
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Omnibus:		60.633	Durbin-Watson:	•	1.682	
<pre>Prob(Omnibus):</pre>		0.000	Jarque-Bera (3	JB):	80.414	
Skew:		0.021	<pre>Prob(JB):</pre>		3.45e-18	
Kurtosis:		3.327	Cond. No.		1.99e+04	

#### Warnings:

- [1] Standard Errors are heteroscedasticity robust (HCO)
- [2] The condition number is large, 1.99e+04. This might indicate that there are strong multicollinearity or other numerical problems.

Our model gives us an R-squared of about 85%, thus we can proceed with this critical assumption. On running this model we recieve a warning that we may suffer from multicollinearity, which is an issue we will resolve later. By using the statsmodels library we can also get easy access to informatio for hypothesis testing, variable significance and confidence intervals.

Results: Robust linear model

Model: Dependent Variable Date: No. Observations: Df Model:	: 0ve	2018-12-06 16:39 17739			Df Residuals: Norm: Scale Est.: Cov. Type: Scale:		
	Coef.	Std.Err.	z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]	
const	7.5849	1.1347	6.6846	0.0000	5.3610	9.8088	
age	0.0453	0.0059	7.6195	0.0000	0.0336	0.0569	
height_cm	-0.0026	0.0062	-0.4229	0.6724	-0.0149	0.0096	
weight_kg	0.0263	0.0053	4.9975	0.0000	0.0160	0.0366	
crossing	0.0165	0.0028	5.9115	0.0000	0.0110	0.0219	
finishing	0.0269	0.0034	7.9567	0.0000	0.0202	0.0335	
heading_accuracy	0.0969	0.0029	33.5600	0.0000	0.0913	0.1026	
short_passing	0.0782	0.0048	16.3196	0.0000	0.0688	0.0876	
volleys	0.0019	0.0030	0.6569	0.5112	-0.0039	0.0077	
dribbling	0.0112	0.0042	2.6696	0.0076	0.0030	0.0194	
curve	0.0111	0.0029	3.8294	0.0001	0.0054	0.0168	
<pre>free_kick_accuracy</pre>	0.0063	0.0026	2.4458	0.0145	0.0013	0.0114	
long_passing	-0.0170	0.0036	-4.7749	0.0000	-0.0240	-0.0100	

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ball_control
                  0.1606
                           0.0050 31.8418 0.0000 0.1507 0.1705
                  0.0355
acceleration
                           0.0040
                                  8.9502 0.0000 0.0277 0.0433
                  0.0367
                           0.0037
                                   9.8428 0.0000 0.0294 0.0440
sprint_speed
                           0.0030 -0.7545 0.4505 -0.0082 0.0036
agility
                  -0.0023
reactions
                  0.2862
                           0.0039 74.2447 0.0000 0.2786 0.2937
                                  -4.3124 0.0000 -0.0198 -0.0074
balance
                  -0.0136
                           0.0032
shot_power
                  0.0185
                           0.0030
                                  6.2162 0.0000 0.0127 0.0243
jumping
                  0.0063
                           0.0022
                                   2.9201 0.0035 0.0021 0.0105
                                  2.9871 0.0028 0.0026 0.0123
stamina
                  0.0075
                           0.0025
strength
                  0.0299
                           0.0029 10.2412 0.0000 0.0242 0.0356
long_shots
                  -0.0231
                           0.0032 -7.3156 0.0000 -0.0293 -0.0169
                           0.0023 -0.1452 0.8846 -0.0048 0.0041
aggression
                 -0.0003
                  0.0083
                           0.0032
                                   2.5712 0.0101 0.0020 0.0146
interceptions
                           0.0032 -16.8008 0.0000 -0.0598 -0.0473
positioning
                  -0.0536
vision
                  -0.0116
                           0.0029 -4.0205 0.0001 -0.0172 -0.0059
                  0.0006
                           0.0028
                                  0.2275 0.8200 -0.0049 0.0061
penalties
composure
                  0.1048
                           0.0031 34.3429 0.0000 0.0988 0.1108
                  0.0003
                           0.0041
                                  0.0830 0.9338 -0.0077 0.0083
marking
                           0.0049
                                   8.7186 0.0000 0.0328 0.0519
standing_tackle
                  0.0423
sliding_tackle
                  -0.0159
                           0.0047 -3.3782 0.0007 -0.0251 -0.0067
gk_diving
                  0.0732
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gk_handling
                  0.0823
                           0.0061 13.4157 0.0000 0.0703 0.0944
gk_kicking
                  0.0400
                           0.0056
                                  7.0900 0.0000 0.0289 0.0510
gk_positioning
                  0.0769
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                                                         0.0888
gk_reflexes
                  0.0727
                           0.0060 12.0342 0.0000 0.0609
                                                         0.0845
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Here we conduct robust linear regression with Hubers Maximum likelihood estimation to compare the confidence intervals of our features to those we obtained in OLS.

Regression on Overall Rating with Player Attributes: Fitting L1 and L2 Regularization

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In [60]: #Ridge Regression
    from sklearn.linear_model import Ridge
    from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
    from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
    from sklearn.linear_model import Ridge
    X = complete[attribute_profile]
    y=complete[overall_target]
    X_train,X_test,y_train,y_test=train_test_split(X,y,test_size=0.3,random_state=0)
    #fitting several ridge regressions with various sizes of alpha
    lr = LinearRegression()
    lr.fit(X_train, y_train)
    rr_small= Ridge(alpha=0.1)
    rr_small.fit(X_train, y_train)
    ridge = Ridge(alpha=1)
    ridge.fit(X_train, y_train)
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rr10 = Ridge(alpha=10) # comparison with alpha value
rr10.fit(X_train, y_train)
train_score=lr.score(X_train, y_train)
test_score=lr.score(X_test, y_test)
Ridge_train_score = ridge.score(X_train,y_train)
Ridge_test_score = ridge.score(X_test, y_test)
Ridge_train_score10 = rr10.score(X_train,y_train)
Ridge_test_score10 = rr10.score(X_test, y_test)
small_ridge_train_score10 = rr_small.score(X_train,y_train)
small_ridge_test_score10 = rr_small.score(X_test, y_test)
#evaluating the three ridge regressions
ysmall_prediction=rr_small.predict(X_test)
yregular_prediction = ridge.predict(X_test)
ylarge_prediction=ridge.predict(X_test)
from sklearn.metrics import r2_score
r2_small=r2_score(y_test, ysmall_prediction)
r2_regular=r2_score(y_test, yregular_prediction)
r2_large=r2_score(y_test, ylarge_prediction)
print("The R-Squared of the small alpha model is : " ,r2_small)
print("\nThe R-Squared of the default alpha model is :" ,r2_regular)
print("\nThe R-Squared of the large alpha model is :" ,r2_large)
ridge_coef=ridge.coef_
cols=np.array(X.columns)
cols=cols.reshape(37,1)
ridge_coef=ridge_coef.reshape(37,1)
coefs=np.concatenate((cols, ridge_coef), axis=1)
coefs=pd.DataFrame(coefs)
intercept=ridge.intercept_
#From this lets conclude we use the default alpha=1
y_prediction = ridge.predict(X_test)
predictedy=np.concatenate([y_prediction,X_test],axis=1)
predicted=pd.DataFrame(predictedy)
predicted.columns=['Overall','age', 'height_cm', 'weight_kg', 'crossing', 'finishing',
       'short_passing', 'volleys', 'dribbling', 'curve', 'free_kick_accuracy',
       'long_passing', 'ball_control', 'acceleration', 'sprint_speed',
       'agility', 'reactions', 'balance', 'shot_power', 'jumping', 'stamina',
       'strength', 'long_shots', 'aggression', 'interceptions', 'positioning',
       'vision', 'penalties', 'composure', 'marking', 'standing_tackle',
       'sliding_tackle', 'gk_diving', 'gk_handling', 'gk_kicking',
       'gk_positioning', 'gk_reflexes']
#predicted.head()
#predicted.describe().transpose()
#y_test.describe()
#Get the Root Mean Squar Error
from math import sqrt
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
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RMSE_test=sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_true=y_test,y_pred=y_prediction))
         print("Root Mean Square Error of test set is:" ,RMSE_test)
         y_train_prediction = ridge.predict(X_train)
         RMSE_train=sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_true=y_train,y_pred=y_train_prediction))
         print("The RMSE of the training data is:" ,RMSE_train)
         #K-folds cross validation
         from sklearn import metrics
         from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
         scores=cross_val_score(ridge,X,y,cv=5)
         scores
Out[60]: LinearRegression(copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, n_jobs=None,
                  normalize=False)
Out[60]: Ridge(alpha=0.1, copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, max_iter=None,
            normalize=False, random_state=None, solver='auto', tol=0.001)
Out[60]: Ridge(alpha=1, copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, max_iter=None,
            normalize=False, random_state=None, solver='auto', tol=0.001)
Out[60]: Ridge(alpha=10, copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, max_iter=None,
            normalize=False, random_state=None, solver='auto', tol=0.001)
The R-Squared of the small alpha model is: 0.8458129413678996
The R-Squared of the default alpha model is: 0.8458129475728042
The R-Squared of the large alpha model is: 0.8458129475728042
Root Mean Square Error of test set is: 2.7094674196860966
The RMSE of the training data is: 2.7360819852825267
Out[60]: array([-0.42136809, -3.19847964, -5.93214499, -4.62180961, -0.53326892])
In [62]: #Utilizing Lasso Regression
         from sklearn.linear_model import Lasso
         #default alpha=1
         lasso = Lasso().fit(X_train, y_train)
         print("Training set score: {:.2f}".format(lasso.score(X_train, y_train)))
         print("Test set score: {:.2f}".format(lasso.score(X_test, y_test)))
         print("Number of features used:", np.sum(lasso.coef_ != 0))
         # we increase the default setting of "max_iter",
         # otherwise the model would warn us that we should increase max_iter.
         lasso001 = Lasso(alpha=0.01, max_iter=100000).fit(X_train, y_train)
         print("\n\nTraining set score: {:.2f}".format(lasso001.score(X_train, y_train)))
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print("Test set score: {:.2f}".format(lasso001.score(X_test, y_test)))
print("Number of features used:", np.sum(lasso001.coef_ != 0))
#decrease alpha further
lasso00001 = Lasso(alpha=0.0001, max_iter=1000000).fit(X_train, y_train)
print("\n\nTraining set score: {:.2f}".format(lasso00001.score(X_train, y_train)))
print("Test set score: {:.2f}".format(lasso00001.score(X_test, y_test)))
print("Number of features used:", np.sum(lasso00001.coef_ != 0))
y_prediction = lasso.predict(X_test)
RMSE_test=sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_true=y_test,y_pred=y_prediction))
print("Root Mean Square Error of test set is:" ,RMSE_test)
r2=r2_score(y_test, y_prediction)
print("The R-Squared of the Model is : ", r2)
#This r-square is lower because when conducting lasso regression for alpha =1
#we actually reduce the number of features we have from 37 to 25
#What would happen if we increased alpha above 1?
#Lets try for alpha =5 and alpha=10
lasso5 = Lasso(alpha=5, max_iter=1000000).fit(X_train, y_train)
print("Training set score for 5: {:.2f}".format(lasso5.score(X_train, y_train)))
print("Test set score for 5: {:.2f}".format(lasso5.score(X_test, y_test)))
print("Number of features used:", np.sum(lasso5.coef_ != 0))
lasso10 = Lasso(alpha=10, max_iter=1000000).fit(X_train, y_train)
print("Training set score for 10: {:.2f}".format(lasso10.score(X_train, y_train)))
print("Test set score for 10: {:.2f}".format(lasso10.score(X_test, y_test)))
print("Number of features used:", np.sum(lasso10.coef_ != 0))
#Let us try alpha=8
lasso8 = Lasso(alpha=8, max_iter=1000000).fit(X_train, y_train)
print("Training set score for 8: {:.2f}".format(lasso8.score(X_train, y_train)))
print("Test set score for 8: {:.2f}".format(lasso8.score(X_test, y_test)))
print("Number of features used:", np.sum(lasso8.coef_ != 0))
#This model is a good trade off between a relatively good prediction score while being
#so lets use alpha=8
y_prediction2 = lasso8.predict(X_test)
lasso_coef=lasso8.coef_
cols=np.array(X.columns)
cols=cols.reshape(37,1)
lasso_coef=lasso_coef.reshape(37,1)
coefs=np.concatenate((cols, lasso_coef), axis=1)
coefs=pd.DataFrame(coefs)
intercept=lasso8.intercept_
print(intercept)
print(coefs)
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Training set score: 0.84 Test set score: 0.84

Number of features used: 26

Training set score: 0.85 Test set score: 0.85

Number of features used: 37

Training set score: 0.85 Test set score: 0.85

Number of features used: 37

Root Mean Square Error of test set is: 2.738414237577749

The R-Squared of the Model is : 0.8425008087308197

Training set score for 5: 0.80
Test set score for 5: 0.80
Number of features used: 15
Training set score for 10: 0.72
Test set score for 10: 0.72
Number of features used: 5
Training set score for 8: 0.75
Test set score for 8: 0.75
Number of features used: 10

[29.00742928]

	0	1
0	age	0
1	height_cm	0
2	weight_kg	0
3	crossing	0
4	finishing	0
5	heading_accuracy	0
6	short_passing	0.0164898
7	volleys	0
8	dribbling	0
9	curve	0
10	<pre>free_kick_accuracy</pre>	0
11	long_passing	0.0142212
12	ball_control	0.0183834
13	acceleration	0
14	sprint_speed	0
15	agility	0
16	reactions	0.410776
17	balance	-0
18	shot_power	0.00196838
19	jumping	0
20	stamina	0
21	strength	0.028935

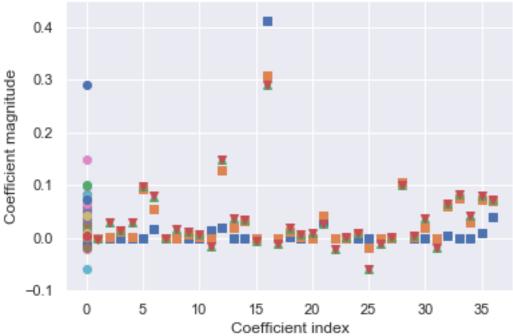
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             aggression
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         interceptions
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25
           positioning
                                   0
                 vision
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              penalties
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              composure
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                marking
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       standing_tackle
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        sliding_tackle
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           gk_handling
                                   0
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             gk_kicking
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        gk_positioning
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           gk_reflexes
                           0.0406695
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#### Comparing Ridge and Lasso:

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In [63]: plt.plot(lasso8.coef_, 's', label="Lasso alpha=8")
         plt.plot(lasso.coef_, 's', label="Lasso alpha=1")
         plt.plot(lasso001.coef_, '^', label="Lasso alpha=0.01")
         plt.plot(lasso00001.coef_, 'v', label="Lasso alpha=0.0001")
         plt.plot(ridge.coef_, 'o', label="Ridge alpha=0.1")
         plt.legend(ncol=2, loc=(0, 1.05))
         plt.ylim(-0.1, 0.45)
         plt.xlabel("Coefficient index")
         plt.ylabel("Coefficient magnitude")
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          <matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x1c534f7ba8>]
Out[63]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x1c534f24a8>
Out[63]: (-0.1, 0.45)
Out[63]: Text(0.5, 0, 'Coefficient index')
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## 7 Positional Value Modeling

Positional Value Modeling: Procedure

This approach to finding a value model for this position is based on the assumption that the main determinant to market value is a players overall rating. The approach to find a model that describes value for this position with a reduced number of features is the following: To gain basic insights we conduct simple OLS with robust SE on Overall for this position group with all attributes in the "attribute\_profile" list. Then to reduce the amount of variables that matter we fit a lasso regression model on overall. The reason we fit our lasso on overall and not value is that by doing so on overall we see what few features actually make good players, at a given position, good. We compute pearson correlations on the lasso reduced model. When doing lasso regression, we use cross-validation to find the correct alpha to use. After this we choose all the features with a non-zero coefficient, and regardless if their coefficient is non-zero, we include non-soccer attributes such as Age, weight, and height. Since multicollinearity is likely, we conduct ridge regression on the non-zero coefficients from the lasso model. We use cross validation to also choose the correct alpha for our ridge regression. We then evaluate the reduced model performance, and compare it to the model performance of all the attributes on Value.

We conduct gradient boosting regression with grid search cross validation on our lasso reduced model to rank feature importance for a position with respect to value. We then use interaction terms to combine highly correlated features and further reduce our model. Lastly, we re-estimate our own reduced value model we created and compare it to the original model.

Positional Value Modeling: Goal Keeper

## 8 Goal Keeper

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In [70]: data=GK
         lnVal=pd.DataFrame((data["Value (M)"]+1).apply(np.log))
         lnVal.columns = ['ln_value']
         gk_dta = pd.concat([lnVal, data], axis=1)
         #Model definition
         data=gk_dta
         x=data[attribute_profile]
         X=sm.add_constant(x)
         y1=data[overall_target]
         y2=data[value_target]
         y3=data[ln_value]
         OLS_{model} = sm.OLS(y1,X)
         OLS_results=OLS_model.fit(cov_type='HCO')
         #print(OLS_results.summary())
         OLS_{model2} = sm.OLS(y2,X)
         OLS_results2=OLS_model2.fit(cov_type='HCO')
         print("\n\nThe adjusted R-squared for the original gk value model is:", OLS_results2.rs
         print("\nThe model AIC is: " ,OLS_results2.aic)
         #Lasso Regression
         X_train,X_test,y_train,y_test=train_test_split(x,y1,test_size=0.3,random_state=0)
```

```
lr = LinearRegression()
         lr.fit(X_train, y_train)
         #Lasso Fit (Overall)
         lasso = Lasso(alpha=1.0, max_iter=1000000).fit(X_train, y_train)
         from sklearn.linear_model import LassoCV
         from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
         X_std = sc.fit_transform(x)
         regr_cv = LassoCV(alphas=np.arange(1,9999.999))
         # Fit the linear regression
         model_cv = regr_cv.fit(X_std, y1)
         print("The alpha we should use for lasso regression is: ", model_cv.alpha_)
         #Lasso Coefficients
         y_prediction = lasso.predict(X_test)
         lasso_coef=lasso.coef_
         cols=np.array(x.columns)
         cols=cols.reshape(37,1)
         lasso_coef=lasso_coef.reshape(37,1)
         coefs=np.concatenate((cols, lasso_coef), axis=1)
         coefs=pd.DataFrame(coefs)
         intercept=lasso.intercept_
         print(intercept)
         print(coefs)
The adjusted R-squared for the original gk value model is: 0.4098131400144627
The model AIC is: 10499.852855029098
Out[70]: LinearRegression(copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, n_jobs=None,
                  normalize=False)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data
  return self.partial_fit(X, y)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn
  return self.fit(X, **fit_params).transform(X)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/linear_model/coordinate_descent
  y = column_or_1d(y, warn=True)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/model_selection/_split.py:2053:
  warnings.warn(CV_WARNING, FutureWarning)
The alpha we should use for lasso regression is: 1.0
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            long_shots
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                 vision
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       standing_tackle
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        sliding_tackle
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             gk_diving
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33
           gk_handling
                           0.206887
34
            gk_kicking
                          0.0436979
35
        gk_positioning
                           0.213626
36
           gk_reflexes
                           0.207669
In [71]: #Correlation between GK features
         #Heatmap: show the correlation between similar features.
         # Select a subset of the df
         used_variables = ['Potential', 'age', 'Overall', 'height_cm', 'weight_kg', 'vision', 'comp
                         'gk_handling', 'gk_kicking', 'gk_positioning', 'gk_reflexes']
         corr_variables = gk_dta[used_variables]
         colormap = plt.cm.inferno
         plt.figure(figsize=(10,10))
         plt.title('Pearson correlation of used Features with Targets',
                    y=1.05, size=10)
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1

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height\_cm

weight\_kg

crossing

finishing

volleys

heading\_accuracy

short\_passing

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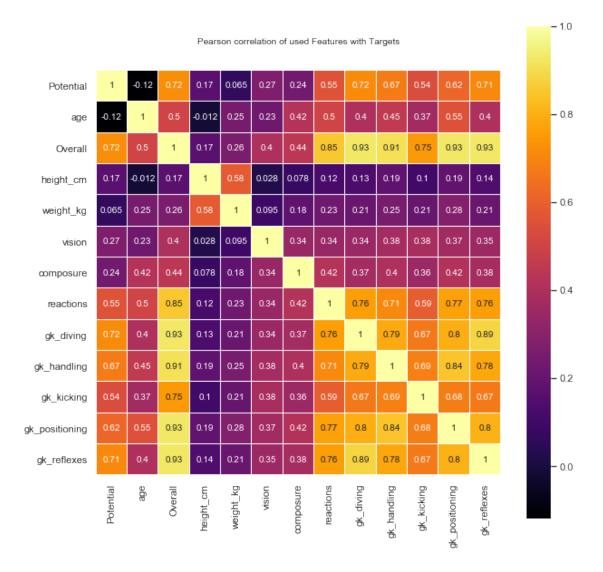
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Out[71]: <Figure size 720x720 with 0 Axes>

Out[71]: Text(0.5, 1.05, 'Pearson correlation of used Features with Targets')

Out[71]: <matplotlib.axes.\_subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1c57ea4f28>



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data=gk_dta
        x=data[gk_features_used]
        X=sm.add_constant(x)
        y1=data[overall_target]
        y2=data[value_target]
        x.shape
        #Finding the best alpha for ridge regression for value
        x=data[gk_features_used]
        y2=data[value_target]
        from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
        from sklearn.linear_model import RidgeCV
        scaler = StandardScaler()
        X_std = scaler.fit_transform(x)
        regr_cv = RidgeCV(alphas=np.arange(0.001,9999.999))
        # Fit the linear regression
        model_cv = regr_cv.fit(X_std, y2)
        model_cv.alpha_
        print("The alpha we should use for ridge regression is:" ,model_cv.alpha_)
        #Finding the best alpha for ridge regression for elasticity of value
        x2=data[gk_features_used]
        y3=data[ln_value]
        from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
        from sklearn.linear_model import RidgeCV
        scaler = StandardScaler()
        X_std2 = scaler.fit_transform(x2)
        regr_cv2 = RidgeCV(alphas=np.arange(0.001,9999.999))
        # Fit the linear regression
        model_cv2 = regr_cv.fit(X_std2, y3)
        model_cv2.alpha_
        print("The alpha we should use for ridge regression is: ", model_cv2.alpha_)
Out[72]: (array([16, 26, 28, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36]),)
Out[72]: (1997, 11)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data
 return self.partial_fit(X, y)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn
  return self.fit(X, **fit_params).transform(X)
Out [72]: 43.0009999999999
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data
  return self.partial_fit(X, y)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn
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Out [72]: 17.00099999999998
The alpha we should use for ridge regression is: 17.00099999999998
In [73]: #Ridge regression for value
        X_train,X_test,y_train,y_test=train_test_split(x,y2,test_size=0.3,random_state=0)
        lr = LinearRegression()
        lr.fit(X_train, y_train)
         #Ridge fit
        ridge = Ridge(alpha=43.001)
        ridge.fit(X_train, y_train)
        y_prediction = ridge.predict(X_test)
        ridge_coef=ridge.coef_
        cols=np.array(x.columns)
        cols=cols.reshape(11,1)
        ridge_coef=ridge_coef.reshape(11,1)
        ridge_coefs=np.concatenate((cols, ridge_coef), axis=1)
        ridge_coefs=pd.DataFrame(ridge_coefs)
        ridge_intercept=ridge.intercept_
         print(ridge_intercept)
        print(ridge_coefs)
Out[73]: LinearRegression(copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, n_jobs=None,
                 normalize=False)
Out[73]: Ridge(alpha=43.001, copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, max_iter=None,
            normalize=False, random_state=None, solver='auto', tol=0.001)
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                    0.0201663
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        composure 0.0325005
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        reactions 0.0331193
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7
      gk_handling
                      0.146235
8
       gk_kicking 0.000906135
9
   gk_positioning
                    0.0668935
10
      gk_reflexes
                     0.0620717
In [74]: #Ridge regression for elasticity
        X_train,X_test,y_train,y_test=train_test_split(x,y2,test_size=0.3,random_state=0)
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return self.fit(X, \*\*fit\_params).transform(X)

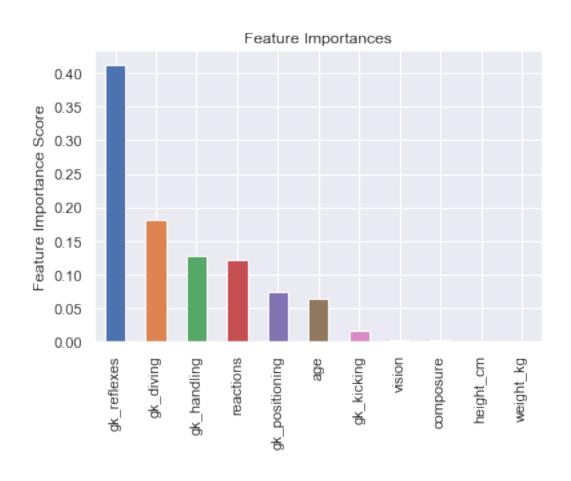
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lr = LinearRegression()
         lr.fit(X_train, y_train)
         #Ridge fit
         ridge = Ridge(alpha=17.01)
         ridge.fit(X_train, y_train)
         y_prediction = ridge.predict(X_test)
         ridge_coef=ridge.coef_
         cols=np.array(x.columns)
         cols=cols.reshape(11,1)
         ridge_coef=ridge_coef.reshape(11,1)
         ridge_coefs=np.concatenate((cols, ridge_coef), axis=1)
         ridge_coefs=pd.DataFrame(ridge_coefs)
         ridge_intercept=ridge.intercept_
         print(ridge_intercept)
         print(ridge_coefs)
Out[74]: LinearRegression(copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, n_jobs=None,
                  normalize=False)
Out[74]: Ridge(alpha=17.01, copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, max_iter=None,
            normalize=False, random_state=None, solver='auto', tol=0.001)
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           vision 0.0089393
4
         composure
                     0.0325238
5
         reactions 0.0331278
6
         gk_diving 0.0577731
7
      gk_handling
                       0.146363
8
        gk_kicking 0.000856266
9
   gk_positioning
                       0.066962
      gk_reflexes
10
                      0.0620545
In [77]: #Model Eval for value
         X_train,X_test,y_train,y_test=train_test_split(x,y2,test_size=0.3,random_state=0)
         lr = LinearRegression()
         lr.fit(X_train, y_train)
         #Ridge fit
         ridge = Ridge(alpha=43.001)
         ridge.fit(X_train, y_train)
         Ridge_train_score = ridge.score(X_train,y_train)
         Ridge_test_score = ridge.score(X_test, y_test)
         y_prediction = ridge.predict(X_test)
         print("The training and test scores respectively are: " ,Ridge_train_score, "and" ,Ridge
         from math import sqrt
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```
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
         RMSE_test=sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_true=y_test,y_pred=y_prediction))
         print("\n Root Mean Square Error of test set is:" ,RMSE_test)
         from sklearn import metrics
         from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
         scores=cross_val_score(ridge,x,y2,cv=5)
         print("\n K-folds cross validation scores:" ,scores)
Out[77]: LinearRegression(copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, n_jobs=None,
                  normalize=False)
Out[77]: Ridge(alpha=43.001, copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, max_iter=None,
            normalize=False, random_state=None, solver='auto', tol=0.001)
The training and test scores respectively are: 0.4172929600398208 and 0.3783843942205314
Root Mean Square Error of test set is: 3.9606127253424033
K-folds cross validation scores: [-3.33025712e-01 -1.78110273e+01 -7.33523812e+01 -1.63418222e+
 -1.09703462e+04]
In [82]: #Gradient Boosting Regression on the Reduced Model for Value
         from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error, accuracy_score
         from sklearn.ensemble import GradientBoostingRegressor
         from sklearn.model_selection import cross_validate
         from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
         from sklearn import metrics
         from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
         from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
         from sklearn.model_selection import KFold
         from sklearn.model_selection import ShuffleSplit
         from sklearn.metrics import recall_score
         gk_reduced=['Value (M)', 'age', 'height_cm', 'weight_kg', 'vision', 'composure', 'reaction
                        'gk_handling', 'gk_kicking', 'gk_positioning', 'gk_reflexes']
         dta=GK[gk_reduced]
         def modelfit(alg, dtrain, features, performCV=True, printFeatureImportance=True, cv_fol
             #Fit the algorithm on the data
             alg.fit(dtrain[features],dtrain["Value (M)"] )
             #Predict training set:
             dtrain_predictions = alg.predict(dtrain[features])
             #Perform cross-validation:
             cv_score = cross_val_score(alg, dtrain[features], dtrain["Value (M)"], cv=cv_folds
                                                         scoring='neg_mean_squared_error')
             cv_score = np.sqrt(np.abs(cv_score))
```

Model Report RMSE: 0.3608

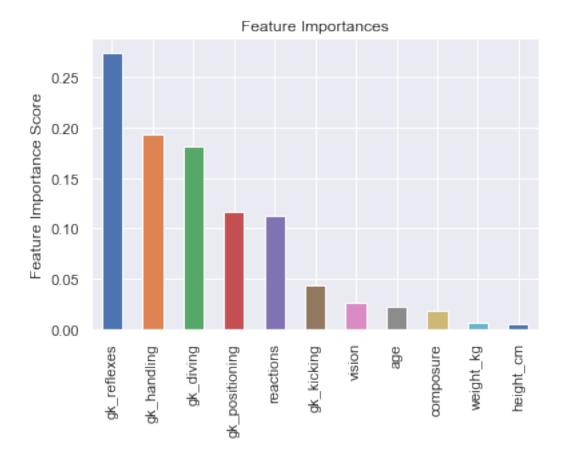
CV Score : Mean - 1.42 | Std - 3.253 | Min - 0.06488 | Max - 11.13

modelfit(gbm0, dta, features)



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In [83]: #Feature Ranking with GridSearch CV
         estimators = [x \text{ for } x \text{ in range}(700,750,10)]
         param_test1 = {'n_estimators':estimators}
         gsearch1 = GridSearchCV(estimator = GradientBoostingRegressor(learning_rate=0.1, min_sa
                                            min_samples_leaf=50,max_depth=8,max_features='sqrt',
                                param_grid = param_test1, scoring='neg_mean_squared_error',n_job
         gsearch1.fit(dta[features],dta["Value (M)"])
         gsearch1.score, gsearch1.best_params_, gsearch1.best_score_
         modelfit(gsearch1.best_estimator_, dta, features)
Out[83]: GridSearchCV(cv=10, error_score='raise-deprecating',
                estimator=GradientBoostingRegressor(alpha=0.9, criterion='friedman_mse', init=No
                      learning_rate=0.1, loss='ls', max_depth=8,
                      max_features='sqrt', max_leaf_nodes=None,
                      min_impurity_decrease=0.0, min_impurity_split=None,
                      min_samples_leaf=50, min_sa...
                                                           subsample=0.8, tol=0.0001, validation
                      warm_start=False),
                fit_params=None, iid=False, n_jobs=4,
                param_grid={'n_estimators': [700, 710, 720, 730, 740]},
                pre_dispatch='2*n_jobs', refit=True, return_train_score='warn',
                scoring='neg_mean_squared_error', verbose=0)
Out[83]: (<bound method BaseSearchCV.score of GridSearchCV(cv=10, error_score='raise-deprecating
                 estimator=GradientBoostingRegressor(alpha=0.9, criterion='friedman_mse', init=N
                       learning_rate=0.1, loss='ls', max_depth=8,
                       max_features='sqrt', max_leaf_nodes=None,
                       min_impurity_decrease=0.0, min_impurity_split=None,
                                                             subsample=0.8, tol=0.0001, validation
                       min_samples_leaf=50, min_sa...
                       warm_start=False),
                 fit_params=None, iid=False, n_jobs=4,
                 param_grid={'n_estimators': [700, 710, 720, 730, 740]},
                 pre_dispatch='2*n_jobs', refit=True, return_train_score='warn',
                 scoring='neg_mean_squared_error', verbose=0)>,
          {'n_estimators': 730},
          -12.52598819477318)
Model Report
RMSE : 1.388
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CV Score : Mean - 1.465 | Std - 3.222 | Min - 0.1063 | Max - 11.06



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In [84]: #Create our New Model with Interaction Terms
         data=gk_dta
         x = data[attribute\_profile]
         X=sm.add_constant(x)
         y1=data[overall_target]
         y2=data[value_target]
         y3=data[ln_value]
         data=gk_dta
         def gk_skills (row):
             return row['gk_reflexes'] * row['gk_handling'] * row['gk_diving'] *row['gk_position
         def gk_ath_ment (row):
             return row['acceleration'] *row['jumping'] *row['reactions'] * row['strength'] *row
         def gk_attack (row):
             return row['long_passing'] * row['ball_control'] *row['short_passing']
         def gk_phy (row):
             return row['height_cm'] * row['weight_kg']
         data['gk_skills'] = data.apply(gk_skills, axis=1)
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data['gk_ath_ment'] = data.apply(gk_ath_ment, axis=1)
         data['gk_attack'] = data.apply(gk_attack, axis=1)
         data['gk_phy'] = data.apply(gk_phy, axis=1)
         features=['age', 'gk_skills', 'gk_ath_ment' , 'gk_attack', 'gk_phy']
         x=data[features]
         #We must now scale the features
         x =pd.DataFrame(scaler.fit_transform(x))
         x.columns= ['age', 'gk_skills', 'gk_ath_ment', 'gk_attack', 'gk_phy']
         #We have now addressed the issue of endogenity by including interaction terms
         X=sm.add_constant(x)
         y1=data[overall_target]
         y2=data[value_target]
         y3=data[ln_value]
         mod=sm.OLS(y1,X)
         res=mod.fit(cov_type='HCO')
         yhat = res.fittedvalues
         OLS_{model} = sm.OLS(y2,X)
         OLS_results=OLS_model.fit(cov_type='HCO')
         print(OLS_results.summary())
         print(res.aic)
         #Plot of y-hat for y-true on the reduced model for overall rating
         from statsmodels.graphics.api import abline_plot
         fig, ax = plt.subplots()
         ax.scatter(yhat, y1)
         line_fit = sm.OLS(y1, sm.add_constant(yhat, prepend=True)).fit()
         abline_plot(model_results=line_fit, ax=ax)
         ax.set_title('New Model fit to Overall')
         ax.set_ylabel('Observed values')
         ax.set_xlabel('Fitted values');
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data
  return self.partial_fit(X, y)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn
  return self.fit(X, **fit_params).transform(X)
                            OLS Regression Results
Dep. Variable:
                            Value (M)
                                        R-squared:
                                                                         0.600
Model:
                                  OLS Adj. R-squared:
                                                                         0.599
Method:
                       Least Squares F-statistic:
                                                                         55.22
                   Thu, 06 Dec 2018 Prob (F-statistic):
Date:
                                                                     7.35e-54
Time:
                             18:11:18 Log-Likelihood:
                                                                       -4841.2
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AIC:

BIC:

9694.

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No. Observations:

Df Residuals:

Df Model:

Covariance Type:		НС	CO			
	coef	std err	z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]
const	1.5912	0.061	26.021	0.000	1.471	1.711
age	-1.2719	0.138	-9.209	0.000	-1.543	-1.001
gk_skills	3.4156	0.242	14.137	0.000	2.942	3.889
gk_ath_ment	0.3327	0.149	2.228	0.026	0.040	0.625
gk_attack	0.1957	0.190	1.031	0.302	-0.176	0.568
gk_phy	-0.0385	0.069	-0.560	0.575	-0.173	0.096
Omnibus:		2605.95	53 Durbin	======================================		0.955
Prob(Omnibus)	:	0.00	00 Jarque	-Bera (JB):	68	9484.372
Skew:		6.96	35 Prob(J	B):		0.00
Kurtosis:		92.95	57 Cond.	No.		2.54

#### Warnings:

[1] Standard Errors are heteroscedasticity robust (HCO) 8961.799760791433



Not only have we addressed issues of multicollinearity but we have increased the r-squared form 38% to 60% with our new model.

Positional Value Modeling: Center Back

#### 9 Center Backs

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In [85]: data=CB
         lnVal=pd.DataFrame((data["Value (M)"]+1).apply(np.log))
         lnVal.columns = ['ln_value']
         cb_dta = pd.concat([lnVal, data], axis=1)
         data=cb_dta
         x=data[attribute_profile]
         X=sm.add_constant(x)
         y1=data[overall_target]
         y2=data[value_target]
         y3=data[ln_value]
         #OLS for Overall
         OLS_{model} = sm.OLS(y1,X)
         OLS_results=OLS_model.fit(cov_type='HCO')
         print("The R-squared for the attributes with overall is:" ,OLS_results.rsquared_adj)
         OLS_{model2} = sm.OLS(y2,X)
         OLS_results2=OLS_model2.fit(cov_type='HCO')
         print("\n\nThe adjusted R-squared for the original CB value model is:", OLS_results2.rs
         print("\nThe model AIC is: " ,OLS_results2.aic)
         #Lasso Regression
         X_train,X_test,y_train,y_test=train_test_split(x,y1,test_size=0.3,random_state=0)
         lr = LinearRegression()
         lr.fit(X_train, y_train)
         #Lasso Fit (Overall)
         \#lasso = Lasso(alpha=1.0, max\_iter=1000000).fit(X\_train, y\_train)
         from sklearn.linear_model import LassoCV
         from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
         X_std = scaler.fit_transform(x)
         regr_cv = LassoCV(alphas=np.arange(1,9999.999))
         # Fit the linear regression
         model_cv = regr_cv.fit(X_std, y1)
         print("The alpha we should use for lasso regression is: ", model_cv.alpha_)
         #Lasso Coefficients
         y_prediction = lasso.predict(X_test)
         lasso_coef=lasso.coef_
         cols=np.array(x.columns)
         cols=cols.reshape(37,1)
         lasso_coef=lasso_coef.reshape(37,1)
         coefs=np.concatenate((cols, lasso_coef), axis=1)
         coefs=pd.DataFrame(coefs)
         intercept=lasso.intercept_
         print("the intercept is:" ,intercept)
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print(coefs)
coefs.columns

The R-squared for the attributes with overall is: 0.9767396881639706

The adjusted R-squared for the original CB value model is: 0.5190537115283163

The model AIC is: 18373.33296177382

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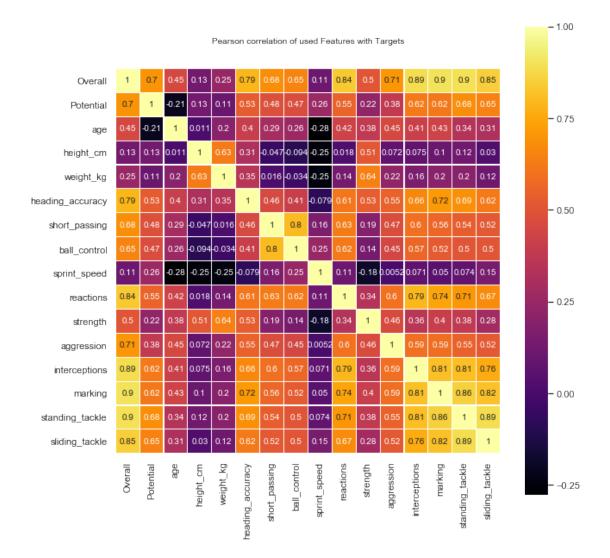
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/linear\_model/coordinate\_descent y = column\_or\_1d(y, warn=True)

/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/model\_selection/\_split.py:2053: warnings.warn(CV\_WARNING, FutureWarning)

The alpha we should use for lasso regression is: 1.0 the intercept is: [2.07617322]

	0	1
0	age	0
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2	weight_kg	0
3	crossing	-0
4	finishing	0
5	heading_accuracy	-0
6	short_passing	0
7	volleys	0
8	dribbling	0
9	curve	0
10	<pre>free_kick_accuracy</pre>	0
11	long_passing	0
12	ball_control	0
13	acceleration	0
14	sprint_speed	0
15	agility	0
16	reactions	0.111601
17	balance	-0
18	shot_power	0
19	jumping	0
20	stamina	0
21	strength	0

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       standing_tackle
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           gk_handling
                          0.206887
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            gk_kicking
                         0.0436979
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        gk_positioning
                          0.213626
36
           gk_reflexes
                          0.207669
Out[85]: RangeIndex(start=0, stop=2, step=1)
In [86]: #Pearson Correlation
         used_variables = ['Overall','Potential','age','height_cm', 'weight_kg','heading_accurac
                        'sprint_speed', 'reactions', 'strength', 'aggression',
                          'interceptions', 'marking', 'standing_tackle', 'sliding_tackle']
         corr_variables = data[used_variables]
         colormap = plt.cm.inferno
         plt.figure(figsize=(10,10))
         plt.title('Pearson correlation of used Features with Targets',
                   y=1.05, size=10)
         sns.heatmap(corr_variables.corr(),linewidths=0.1,vmax=1.0,
                     square=True, cmap=colormap, linecolor='white', annot=True)
Out[86]: <Figure size 720x720 with 0 Axes>
Out[86]: Text(0.5, 1.05, 'Pearson correlation of used Features with Targets')
Out[86]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1c589b1a20>
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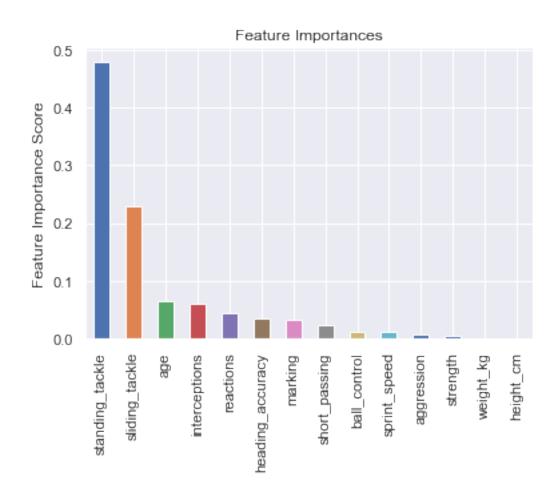
y3=data[ln\_value]

x.shape

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#Finding the best alpha for ridge regression for value
        x=data[cb_features_used]
        y2=data[value_target]
        from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
        from sklearn.linear_model import RidgeCV
        scaler = StandardScaler()
        X_std = scaler.fit_transform(x)
        regr_cv = RidgeCV(alphas=np.arange(0.001,9999.999))
        # Fit the linear regression
        model_cv = regr_cv.fit(X_std, y2)
        model_cv.alpha_
        print("The alpha we should use for ridge regression is:" ,model_cv.alpha_)
Out[87]: array([[0.11160108, 0.00040904, 0.00131157, 0.19854295, 0.2068868 ,
                0.04369794, 0.2136255, 0.20766875]])
Out[87]: (3589, 14)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data
 return self.partial_fit(X, y)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn
 return self.fit(X, **fit_params).transform(X)
Out[87]: 52.00099999999999
In [89]: #Fitting ridge regression to the reduced model
        #Note we use the suggested alpha of 52.01
        X_train,X_test,y_train,y_test=train_test_split(x,y2,test_size=0.3,random_state=0)
        lr = LinearRegression()
        lr.fit(X_train, y_train)
        #Ridge fit: Finding out what alpha to use for ridge
        ridge = Ridge(alpha=52.01)
        ridge.fit(X_train, y_train)
        y_prediction = ridge.predict(X_test)
        ridge_coef=ridge.coef_
        cols=np.array(x.columns)
        ridge_coef=ridge.coef_
        cols=np.array(x.columns)
        cols=cols.reshape(14,1)
        ridge_coef=ridge_coef.reshape(14,1)
        ridge_coefs=np.concatenate((cols, ridge_coef), axis=1)
        ridge_coefs=pd.DataFrame(ridge_coefs)
        ridge_intercept=ridge.intercept_
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print(ridge_intercept)
         print(ridge_coefs)
         #Model Evaluation for Value
         X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test=train_test_split(x, y2, test_size=0.3, random_state=0)
         Ridge_train_score = ridge.score(X_train,y_train)
         Ridge_test_score = ridge.score(X_test, y_test)
         y_prediction = ridge.predict(X_test)
         print("The training and test scores respectively are: " ,Ridge_train_score, "and" ,Ridg
         from math import sqrt
         from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
         RMSE_test=sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_true=y_test,y_pred=y_prediction))
         print("\n Root Mean Square Error of test set is:" ,RMSE_test)
         from sklearn import metrics
         from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
         scores=cross_val_score(ridge,X,y2,cv=5)
         print("\n K-folds cross validation scores:" ,scores)
Out[89]: LinearRegression(copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, n_jobs=None,
                  normalize=False)
Out[89]: Ridge(alpha=52.01, copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, max_iter=None,
            normalize=False, random_state=None, solver='auto', tol=0.001)
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           weight_kg 0.0279878
  heading_accuracy
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                       0.050792
       short_passing -0.00277465
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       ball_control
                     0.0193687
6
        sprint_speed 0.0180922
7
           reactions
                       0.10354
8
            strength 0.00691043
9
          aggression 0.0016774
10
       interceptions
                      0.0663203
11
             marking -0.00227414
12
    standing_tackle
                        0.099245
13
      sliding_tackle
                        0.142504
The training and test scores respectively are: 0.5197743531127669 and 0.48786044848023613
Root Mean Square Error of test set is: 3.3666170779309024
K-folds cross validation scores: [-5.16298889e-01 -6.92960691e+00 -4.90664710e+01 -8.46186913e+
 -2.73683812e+031
In [90]: #Gradient Boosting Regression
         cb_reduced=['Value (M)','age','height_cm', 'weight_kg','heading_accuracy', 'short_passi
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'sprint_speed', 'reactions', 'strength', 'aggression',
                          'interceptions', 'marking', 'standing_tackle', 'sliding_tackle']
         dta=CB[cb_reduced]
         def modelfit(alg, dtrain, features, performCV=True, printFeatureImportance=True, cv_fol
             #Fit the algorithm on the data
             alg.fit(dtrain[features],dtrain["Value (M)"] )
             #Predict training set:
             dtrain_predictions = alg.predict(dtrain[features])
             #Perform cross-validation:
             cv_score = cross_val_score(alg, dtrain[features], dtrain["Value (M)"], cv=cv_folds
                                                          scoring='neg_mean_squared_error')
             cv_score = np.sqrt(np.abs(cv_score))
             #Print model report:
             print ("\nModel Report")
             print ("RMSE: %.4g" % np.sqrt(metrics.mean_squared_error(dtrain["Value (M)"], dtra
             print ("CV Score : Mean - %.4g | Std - %.4g | Min - %.4g | Max - %.4g" % (np.mean(c
                                                                                       np.std(cv_
                                                                                        np.max(cv
             if printFeatureImportance:
                 feat_imp = pd.Series(alg.feature_importances_, features).sort_values(ascending=
                 feat_imp.plot(kind='bar', title='Feature Importances')
                 plt.ylabel('Feature Importance Score')
         features = [i for i in dta.columns if i != "Value (M)"]
         target = "Value (M)"
         gbm0 = GradientBoostingRegressor(random_state=7)
         modelfit(gbm0, dta, features)
Model Report
RMSE : 0.649
CV Score : Mean - 1.516 | Std - 2.867 | Min - 0.1413 | Max - 10.02
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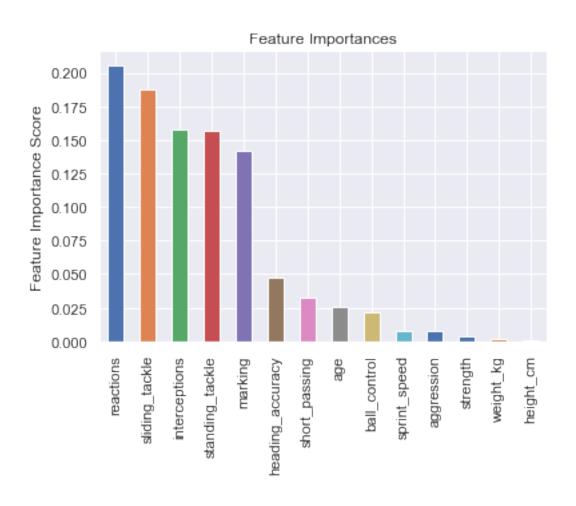


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In [91]: #Tuning with GridSearch
         estimators = [x \text{ for } x \text{ in range}(700,750,10)]
         param_test1 = {'n_estimators':estimators}
         gsearch1 = GridSearchCV(estimator = GradientBoostingRegressor(learning_rate=0.1, min_sa
                                            min_samples_leaf=50,max_depth=8,max_features='sqrt',
                                 param_grid = param_test1, scoring='neg_mean_squared_error',n_job
         gsearch1.fit(dta[features],dta["Value (M)"])
         gsearch1.score, gsearch1.best_params_, gsearch1.best_score_
         modelfit(gsearch1.best_estimator_, dta, features)
Out[91]: GridSearchCV(cv=10, error_score='raise-deprecating',
                estimator=GradientBoostingRegressor(alpha=0.9, criterion='friedman_mse', init=No
                      learning_rate=0.1, loss='ls', max_depth=8,
                      max_features='sqrt', max_leaf_nodes=None,
                      min_impurity_decrease=0.0, min_impurity_split=None,
                      min_samples_leaf=50, min_sa...
                                                            subsample=0.8, tol=0.0001, validation
                      warm_start=False),
                fit_params=None, iid=False, n_jobs=4,
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param_grid={'n_estimators': [700, 710, 720, 730, 740]},
pre_dispatch='2*n_jobs', refit=True, return_train_score='warn',
scoring='neg_mean_squared_error', verbose=0)
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Model Report RMSE: 0.7678

CV Score: Mean - 1.487 | Std - 3.009 | Min - 0.1217 | Max - 10.44



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In [92]: #New CB Model
         #Create our New Model with Interaction Terms
         data=cb_dta
         def cb_skills (row):
             return row['interceptions'] * row['marking'] * row['standing_tackle'] *row['sliding
         def cb_ath (row):
             return row['sprint_speed'] *row['jumping'] *row['reactions'] * row['strength']
         def cb_mentality (row):
             return row['aggression'] * row['composure'] * row['reactions']
         def cb_attack (row):
             return row['short_passing'] * row['ball_control'] *row['heading_accuracy']
         def cb_phy (row):
             return row['height_cm'] * row['weight_kg']
         data['cb_skills'] = data.apply(cb_skills, axis=1)
         data['cb_ath'] = data.apply(cb_ath, axis=1)
         data['cb_mentality'] = data.apply(cb_ath, axis=1)
         data['cb_attack'] = data.apply(cb_attack, axis=1)
         data['cb_phy'] = data.apply(cb_phy, axis=1)
         features=['age', 'cb_skills', 'cb_ath', 'cb_mentality', 'cb_attack', 'cb_phy']
         x=data[features]
         #We must now scale the features
         x =pd.DataFrame(scaler.fit_transform(x))
         x.columns= ['age', 'cb_skills', 'cb_ath' ,'cb_mentality', 'cb_attack', 'cb_phy']
         #We have now addressed the issue of endogenity by including interaction terms
         X=sm.add_constant(x)
         y1=data[overall_target]
         y2=data[value_target]
         y3=data[ln_value]
         mod=sm.OLS(y1,X)
         res=mod.fit(cov_type='HCO')
         yhat = res.fittedvalues
         OLS_{model} = sm.OLS(y2,X)
         OLS_results=OLS_model.fit(cov_type='HCO')
         print(OLS_results.summary())
         print(res.aic)
         #Plot of y-hat for y-true on the reduced model for overall rating
         from statsmodels.graphics.api import abline_plot
         fig, ax = plt.subplots()
         ax.scatter(yhat, y1)
         line_fit = sm.OLS(y1, sm.add_constant(yhat, prepend=True)).fit()
         abline_plot(model_results=line_fit, ax=ax)
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ax.set_title('New Model fit to Overall')
ax.set_ylabel('Observed values')
ax.set_xlabel('Fitted values');
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/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/statsmodels/base/model.py:1532: ValueWaring)

# OLS Regression Results

Dep. Variable:		Value (M)	R-square	ed:		0.659	
Model:		OLS		Adj. R-squared:		0.658	
Method:	L	east Squares	F-statis	stic:		149.5	
Date:	Thu,	06 Dec 2018	Prob (F-	-statistic):	1.	53e-144	
Time:		18:24:15	Log-Like	elihood:		-8550.3	
No. Observation	s:	3589	AIC:		1.	711e+04	
Df Residuals:		3583	BIC:		1.	715e+04	
Df Model:		5	5				
Covariance Type	:	HCC	)				
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	coef	std err	Z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]	
const	2.1994	0.044	50.277	0.000	2.114	2.285	
age	-1.1025	0.058	-19.109	0.000	-1.216	-0.989	
ch skills	3 1551	0 1/10	22 526	0 000	2 881	3 /130	

	coef	std err	z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]
const	2.1994	0.044	50.277	0.000	2.114	2.285
age	-1.1025	0.058	-19.109	0.000	-1.216	-0.989
cb_skills	3.1551	0.140	22.526	0.000	2.881	3.430
cb_ath	0.2648	0.034	7.888	0.000	0.199	0.331
cb_mentality	0.2648	0.034	7.888	0.000	0.199	0.331
cb_attack	0.4746	0.087	5.426	0.000	0.303	0.646
cb_phy	0.2298	0.047	4.938	0.000	0.139	0.321
Omnibus:		3431.379	Durbin-W	Vatson:		0.721
<pre>Prob(Omnibus):</pre>		0.000	Jarque-E	Bera (JB):	237	718.354
Skew:		4.441	Prob(JB)	):		0.00
Kurtosis:		41.868	Cond. No	).	1	.24e+16
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#### Warnings:

<sup>[1]</sup> Standard Errors are heteroscedasticity robust (HCO)

<sup>[2]</sup> The smallest eigenvalue is 7.22e-29. This might indicate that there are strong multicollinearity problems or that the design matrix is singular. 14218.162652910798



Our new model is an improvement over the lasso reduced model as the score has improved from 48% to 66%.

Positional Value Modeling: Full Back

### 10 Full Backs

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In [93]: data=FB
         lnVal=pd.DataFrame((data["Value (M)"]+1).apply(np.log))
         lnVal.columns = ['ln_value']
         fb_dta = pd.concat([lnVal, data], axis=1)
         data=fb_dta
         x=data[attribute_profile]
         X=sm.add_constant(x)
         y1=data[overall_target]
         y2=data[value_target]
         y3=data[ln_value]
         #OLS for Overall
         OLS_{model} = sm.OLS(y1,X)
         OLS_results=OLS_model.fit(cov_type='HCO')
         \verb|print("The R-squared for the attributes with overall is:", OLS_results.rsquared_adj)| \\
         OLS_{model2} = sm.OLS(y2,X)
         OLS_results2=OLS_model2.fit(cov_type='HCO')
         print("\n\nThe adjusted R-squared for the original CB value model is:" ,OLS_results2.rs
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#Lasso Regression
         X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test=train_test_split(x, y1, test_size=0.3, random_state=0)
         lr = LinearRegression()
         lr.fit(X_train, y_train)
         #Lasso Fit (Overall)
         lasso = Lasso(alpha=1.0, max_iter=1000000).fit(X_train, y_train)
         from sklearn.linear_model import LassoCV
         from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
         X_std = scaler.fit_transform(x)
         regr_cv = LassoCV(alphas=np.arange(1,9999.999))
         # Fit the linear regression
         model_cv = regr_cv.fit(X_std, y1)
         print("The alpha we should use for lasso regression is:" ,model_cv.alpha_)
         lasso = Lasso(alpha=1.0, max_iter=1000000).fit(X_train, y_train)
         #Lasso Coefficients
         y_prediction = lasso.predict(X_test)
         lasso_coef=lasso.coef_
         cols=np.array(x.columns)
         cols=cols.reshape(37,1)
         lasso_coef=lasso_coef.reshape(37,1)
         coefs=np.concatenate((cols, lasso_coef), axis=1)
         coefs=pd.DataFrame(coefs)
         intercept=lasso.intercept_
         print("the intercept is:" ,intercept)
         print(coefs)
The R-squared for the attributes with overall is: 0.9211686117206395
The adjusted R-squared for the original CB value model is: 0.49884282137975655
The model AIC is: 19821.193103331858
Out[93]: LinearRegression(copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, n_jobs=None,
                  normalize=False)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data
  return self.partial_fit(X, y)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn
  return self.fit(X, **fit_params).transform(X)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/linear_model/coordinate_descent
  y = column_or_1d(y, warn=True)
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print("\nThe model AIC is: " ,OLS\_results2.aic)

/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/model\_selection/\_split.py:2053:

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The alpha we should use for lasso regression is: 1.0
the intercept is: [9.83169515]
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4
              finishing
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      heading_accuracy
                            0.0724916
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              dribbling
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          ball_control
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          acceleration
                           0.00947536
          sprint_speed
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                agility
                              0.14768
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             reactions
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                balance
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             shot_power
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                jumping
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             aggression
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         interceptions
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26
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                 vision
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              penalties
                           0.00482689
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              composure
                           0.0455749
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                marking
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        sliding_tackle
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              gk_diving
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           gk_handling
34
            gk_kicking
                                    0
35
        gk_positioning
                                   -0
36
           gk_reflexes
                                    0
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corr_variables = data[used_variables]
            colormap = plt.cm.inferno
            plt.figure(figsize=(15,15))
            plt.title('Pearson correlation of used Features with Targets',
                         y=1.05, size=15)
            sns.heatmap(corr_variables.corr(),linewidths=0.1,vmax=1.0,
                            square=True, cmap=colormap, linecolor='white', annot=True)
Out[94]: <Figure size 1080x1080 with 0 Axes>
Out[94]: Text(0.5, 1.05, 'Pearson correlation of used Features with Targets')
Out [94]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1c599d6eb8>
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           finishing
      heading_accuracy
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        short_passing
          ball control
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         acceleration
         sprint speed
           reactions
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          shot_power
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                                                   -0.014
       standing_tackle
         sliding_tackle
                                                                                           liding_tackle
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In [95]: #Preparing a ridge model
 features=lasso.coef\_

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indices=np.nonzero(features)
np.take(features, indices)
fb_features_used=['age', 'height_cm', 'weight_kg', 'crossing', 'finishing', 'heading_ac
       'short_passing',
        'ball_control', 'acceleration', 'sprint_speed',
       'reactions', 'shot_power', 'stamina',
       'strength', 'aggression', 'interceptions',
        'penalties', 'composure', 'marking', 'standing_tackle',
       'sliding_tackle']
data=fb_dta
x=data[fb_features_used]
X=sm.add_constant(x)
y1=data[overall_target]
y2=data[value_target]
y3=data[ln_value]
x.shape
#What alpha should we use
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
from sklearn.linear_model import RidgeCV
scaler = StandardScaler()
X_std = scaler.fit_transform(x)
regr_cv = RidgeCV(alphas=np.arange(0.001,9999.999))
# Fit the linear regression
model_cv = regr_cv.fit(X_std, y2)
model_cv.alpha_
print("The alpha we should use for ridge regression is:" ,model_cv.alpha_)
#Fitting ridge regression to the reduced model
#Note we use the suggested alpha of 47.01
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test=train_test_split(x, y2, test_size=0.3, random_state=0)
lr = LinearRegression()
lr.fit(X_train, y_train)
#Ridge fit: Finding out what alpha to use for ridge
ridge = Ridge(alpha=47.01)
ridge.fit(X_train, y_train)
y_prediction = ridge.predict(X_test)
ridge_coef=ridge.coef_
cols=np.array(x.columns)
ridge_coef=ridge.coef_
cols=np.array(x.columns)
cols=cols.reshape(21,1)
ridge_coef=ridge_coef.reshape(21,1)
ridge_coefs=np.concatenate((cols, ridge_coef), axis=1)
ridge_coefs=pd.DataFrame(ridge_coefs)
ridge_intercept=ridge.intercept_
print(ridge_intercept)
print(ridge_coefs)
```

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Out[95]: array([[2.96560690e-02, 2.64623865e-03, 7.24915843e-02, 9.11999457e-02,
                7.05052413e-04, 8.38472739e-02, 9.47535938e-03, 6.27873387e-02,
                1.47680244e-01, 8.67427415e-03, 5.82115337e-05, 4.40155481e-02,
                1.89904876e-02, 3.01940311e-03, 8.34099959e-02, 4.82689489e-03,
                4.55749094e-02, 4.05975224e-02, 6.96804861e-02, 7.45425449e-02]])
Out [95]: (4443, 21)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data
 return self.partial_fit(X, y)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn
 return self.fit(X, **fit_params).transform(X)
Out [95]: 47.0009999999999
Out[95]: LinearRegression(copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, n_jobs=None,
                 normalize=False)
Out[95]: Ridge(alpha=47.01, copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, max_iter=None,
           normalize=False, random_state=None, solver='auto', tol=0.001)
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          finishing
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5
   heading_accuracy
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      short_passing 0.00803264
7
       ball_control
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       acceleration -0.00351722
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       sprint_speed
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          reactions
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12
            stamina
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13
           strength
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14
         aggression
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15
      interceptions
                      0.0453487
16
          penalties
                      0.0097418
17
          composure
                      0.0261696
18
            marking
                     -0.0276853
19
    standing_tackle
                      0.0610693
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sliding\_tackle

0.0507346

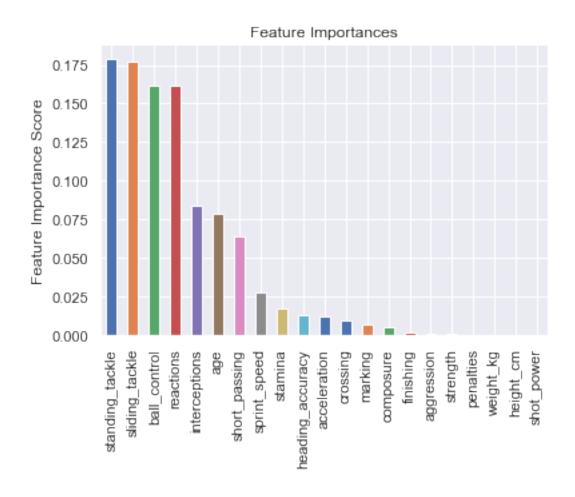
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In [96]: #Model Evaluation for Value
         X_train,X_test,y_train,y_test=train_test_split(x,y2,test_size=0.3,random_state=0)
         Ridge_train_score = ridge.score(X_train,y_train)
         Ridge_test_score = ridge.score(X_test, y_test)
         y_prediction = ridge.predict(X_test)
         print("The training and test scores respectively are: " ,Ridge_train_score, "and" ,Ridge
         from math import sqrt
         from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
         RMSE_test=sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_true=y_test,y_pred=y_prediction))
         print("\n Root Mean Square Error of test set is:" ,RMSE_test)
         from sklearn import metrics
         from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
         scores=cross_val_score(ridge,X,y2,cv=5)
         print("\n K-folds cross validation scores:" ,scores)
The training and test scores respectively are: 0.5115982923524287 and 0.4666374868435317
Root Mean Square Error of test set is: 2.397975080927799
                                                                                          0.16927
K-folds cross validation scores: [ 0.40175035 -30.27929944  0.47428942 -23.25740157
In [98]: #Gradient Boosting Regression
         fb_reduced=['Value (M)', 'age', 'height_cm', 'weight_kg', 'crossing', 'finishing', 'he
                'short_passing',
                 'ball_control', 'acceleration', 'sprint_speed',
                'reactions', 'shot_power', 'stamina',
                'strength', 'aggression', 'interceptions',
                 'penalties', 'composure', 'marking', 'standing_tackle',
                'sliding_tackle']
         dta=FB[fb_reduced]
         def modelfit(alg, dtrain, features, performCV=True, printFeatureImportance=True, cv_fol
             #Fit the algorithm on the data
             alg.fit(dtrain[features],dtrain["Value (M)"] )
             #Predict training set:
             dtrain_predictions = alg.predict(dtrain[features])
             #Perform cross-validation:
             cv_score = cross_val_score(alg, dtrain[features], dtrain["Value (M)"], cv=cv_folds
                                                         scoring='neg_mean_squared_error')
             cv_score = np.sqrt(np.abs(cv_score))
             #Print model report:
             print ("\nModel Report")
```

target = "Value (M)"
gbm0 = GradientBoostingRegressor(random\_state=7)
modelfit(gbm0, dta, features)

Model Report

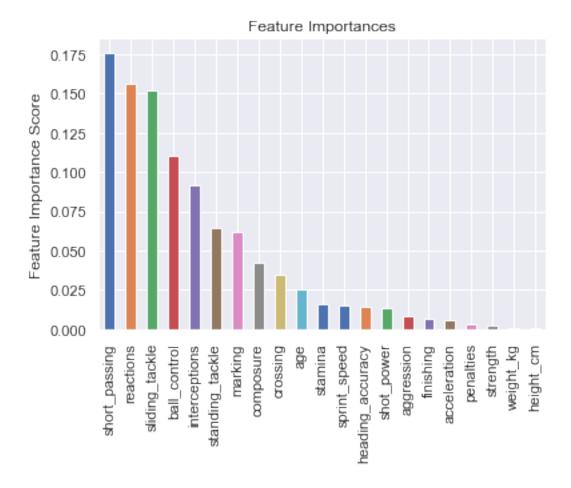
RMSE: 0.5426

CV Score: Mean - 0.7949 | Std - 0.6018 | Min - 0.169 | Max - 2.077



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In [99]: #Tuning with GridSearch
         estimators = [x \text{ for } x \text{ in range}(700,750,10)]
         param_test1 = {'n_estimators':estimators}
         gsearch1 = GridSearchCV(estimator = GradientBoostingRegressor(learning_rate=0.1, min_sa
                                           min_samples_leaf=50,max_depth=8,max_features='sqrt',
                                param_grid = param_test1, scoring='neg_mean_squared_error',n_job
         gsearch1.fit(dta[features],dta["Value (M)"])
         gsearch1.score, gsearch1.best_params_, gsearch1.best_score_
         modelfit(gsearch1.best_estimator_, dta, features)
Out[99]: GridSearchCV(cv=10, error_score='raise-deprecating',
                estimator=GradientBoostingRegressor(alpha=0.9, criterion='friedman_mse', init=No
                      learning_rate=0.1, loss='ls', max_depth=8,
                      max_features='sqrt', max_leaf_nodes=None,
                      min_impurity_decrease=0.0, min_impurity_split=None,
                      min_samples_leaf=50, min_sa...
                                                            subsample=0.8, tol=0.0001, validation
                      warm_start=False),
                fit_params=None, iid=False, n_jobs=4,
                param_grid={'n_estimators': [700, 710, 720, 730, 740]},
                pre_dispatch='2*n_jobs', refit=True, return_train_score='warn',
                scoring='neg_mean_squared_error', verbose=0)
Out[99]: (<bound method BaseSearchCV.score of GridSearchCV(cv=10, error_score='raise-deprecating
                 estimator=GradientBoostingRegressor(alpha=0.9, criterion='friedman_mse', init=N
                       learning_rate=0.1, loss='ls', max_depth=8,
                       max_features='sqrt', max_leaf_nodes=None,
                       min_impurity_decrease=0.0, min_impurity_split=None,
                       min_samples_leaf=50, min_sa...
                                                             subsample=0.8, tol=0.0001, validation
                       warm_start=False),
                 fit_params=None, iid=False, n_jobs=4,
                 param_grid={'n_estimators': [700, 710, 720, 730, 740]},
                 pre_dispatch='2*n_jobs', refit=True, return_train_score='warn',
                 scoring='neg_mean_squared_error', verbose=0)>,
          {'n_estimators': 740},
          -1.088927946286219)
Model Report
RMSE : 0.5156
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CV Score: Mean - 0.7734 | Std - 0.7005 | Min - 0.1454 | Max - 2.315



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In [100]: #MODEL CREATION
          data=FB
          lnVal=pd.DataFrame((data["Value (M)"]+1).apply(np.log))
          lnVal.columns = ['ln_value']
          fb_dta = pd.concat([lnVal, data], axis=1)
          fb_dta.head()
          data=fb_dta
          #Create our New Model with Interaction Terms
          data=fb_dta
          def fb_skills_off (row):
              return row['short_passing'] * row['ball_control'] * row['crossing']
          def fb_skills_def (row):
              return row['sliding_tackle']*row['standing_tackle']*row['marking']
          def fb_ath_ment (row):
              return row['sprint_speed'] *row['stamina'] *row['composure'] *row['reactions']*row
          def fb_phy (row):
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return row['height\_cm'] \* row['weight\_kg']

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data=fb_dta
          data['fb_skills_off'] = data.apply(fb_skills_off, axis=1)
          data['fb_skills_def'] = data.apply(fb_skills_def, axis=1)
          data['fb_ath_ment'] = data.apply(fb_ath_ment, axis=1)
          data['fb_phy'] = data.apply(fb_phy, axis=1)
          features=['age', 'fb_skills_off', 'fb_skills_def', 'fb_ath_ment', 'fb_phy']
          x=data[features]
          #We must now scale the features
          x =pd.DataFrame(scaler.fit_transform(x))
          x.columns= ['age', 'fb_skills_off', 'fb_skills_def', 'fb_ath_ment', 'fb_phy']
          #We have now addressed the issue of endogenity by including interaction terms
          X=sm.add_constant(x)
          y1=data[overall_target]
          y2=data[value_target]
          y3=data[ln_value]
          mod=sm.OLS(y1,X)
          res=mod.fit(cov_type='HCO')
          yhat = res.fittedvalues
          OLS_model = sm.OLS(y2,X)
          OLS_results=OLS_model.fit(cov_type='HCO')
          #results of new model on value
          print(OLS_results.summary())
          print(res.aic)
          OLS_{model2} = sm.OLS(y3,X)
          OLS_results2=OLS_model2.fit(cov_type='HCO')
          #results for new model on value elasticity
          print(OLS_results2.summary())
          #Plot of y-hat for y-true on the reduced model for overall rating
          from statsmodels.graphics.api import abline_plot
          fig, ax = plt.subplots()
          ax.scatter(yhat, y1)
          line_fit = sm.OLS(y1, sm.add_constant(yhat, prepend=True)).fit()
          abline_plot(model_results=line_fit, ax=ax)
          ax.set_title('New Model fit to Overall')
          ax.set_ylabel('Observed values')
          ax.set_xlabel('Fitted values');
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  return self.partial_fit(X, y)
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  return self.fit(X, **fit_params).transform(X)
                            OLS Regression Results
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Dep. Variable:	Value (M)	R-squared:	0.616
Model:	OLS	Adj. R-squared:	0.616
Method:	Least Squares	F-statistic:	215.7
Date:	Thu, 06 Dec 2018	Prob (F-statistic):	1.65e-206
Time:	18:36:57	Log-Likelihood:	-9297.1
No. Observations:	4443	AIC:	1.861e+04
Df Residuals:	4437	BIC:	1.864e+04
Df Model:	5		

Covariance Type: HCO

	coef	std err	z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]
const	1.7616	0.029	59.870	0.000	1.704	1.819
age	-0.8706	0.040	-21.947	0.000	-0.948	-0.793
fb_skills_off	0.5490	0.068	8.102	0.000	0.416	0.682
fb_skills_def	0.8221	0.066	12.522	0.000	0.693	0.951
fb_ath_ment	1.5694	0.104	15.061	0.000	1.365	1.774
fb_phy	0.1773	0.030	5.830	0.000	0.118	0.237

Omnibus: 4689.268 Durbin-Watson: 0.721 0.000 Jarque-Bera (JB): 563766.965 Prob(Omnibus): 5.058 Prob(JB): Skew: 0.00 Kurtosis: 57.249 Cond. No. 3.71

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### Warnings:

[1] Standard Errors are heteroscedasticity robust (HCO) 18603.142824683324

### OLS Regression Results

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Dep. Variable:	ln_value	R-squared:	0.831
Model:	OLS	Adj. R-squared:	0.830
Method:	Least Squares	F-statistic:	3715.
Date:	Thu, 06 Dec 2018	Prob (F-statistic):	0.00
Time:	18:36:57	Log-Likelihood:	-456.87
No. Observations:	4443	AIC:	925.7
Df Residuals:	4437	BIC:	964.1
Df Model:	5		
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Covariance Type: HCO

	coef	======= std err 	z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]
const	0.7266	0.004	180.606	0.000	0.719	0.735
age	-0.1900	0.005	-40.488	0.000	-0.199	-0.181
fb_skills_off	0.1877	0.010	18.307	0.000	0.168	0.208
fb_skills_def	0.2209	0.010	21.131	0.000	0.200	0.241
fb_ath_ment	0.3014	0.008	37.476	0.000	0.286	0.317
fb_phy	0.0478	0.005	10.193	0.000	0.039	0.057

Omnibus:	940.386	Durbin-Watson:	1.370			
Prob(Omnibus):	0.000	Jarque-Bera (JB):	5090.062			
Skew:	0.904	Prob(JB):	0.00			
Kurtosis:	7.922	Cond. No.	3.71			

### Warnings:

[1] Standard Errors are heteroscedasticity robust (HCO)



As shown above the created model has eliminated the collinearity and improved the model. Positional Value Modeling: Center Mid

# 11 Center Midfielders

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y2=data[value_target]
          y3=data[ln_value]
          #OLS for Overall
          OLS_{model} = sm.OLS(y1,X)
          OLS_results=OLS_model.fit(cov_type='HCO')
          print("The R-squared for the attributes with overall is:" ,OLS_results.rsquared_adj)
          OLS_{model2} = sm.OLS(y2,X)
          OLS_results2=OLS_model2.fit(cov_type='HCO')
          print("\n\nThe adjusted R-squared for the original CB value model is:" ,OLS_results2.r
          print("\nThe model AIC is: " ,OLS_results2.aic)
          #Lasso Regression
          X_train,X_test,y_train,y_test=train_test_split(x,y1,test_size=0.3,random_state=0)
          lr = LinearRegression()
          lr.fit(X_train, y_train)
          #Lasso Fit (Overall)
          lasso = Lasso(alpha=1.0, max_iter=1000000).fit(X_train, y_train)
          from sklearn.linear_model import LassoCV
          from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
          X_std = scaler.fit_transform(x)
          regr_cv = LassoCV(alphas=np.arange(1,9999.999))
          # Fit the linear regression
          model_cv = regr_cv.fit(X_std, y1)
          print("The alpha we should use for lasso regression is:" ,model_cv.alpha_)
          lasso = Lasso(alpha=1.0, max_iter=1000000).fit(X_train, y_train)
          #Lasso Coefficients
          y_prediction = lasso.predict(X_test)
          lasso_coef=lasso.coef_
          cols=np.array(x.columns)
          cols=cols.reshape(37,1)
          lasso_coef=lasso_coef.reshape(37,1)
          coefs=np.concatenate((cols, lasso_coef), axis=1)
          coefs=pd.DataFrame(coefs)
          intercept=lasso.intercept_
          print("the intercept is:" ,intercept)
          print(coefs)
The R-squared for the attributes with overall is: 0.8953641207295303
The adjusted R-squared for the original CB value model is: 0.46045033958288306
The model AIC is: 48960.15443371765
Out[101]: LinearRegression(copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, n_jobs=None,
                   normalize=False)
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y1=data[overall\_target]

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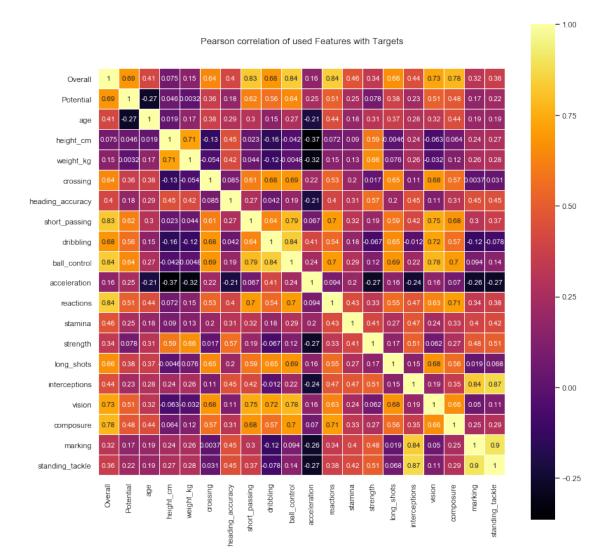
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/linear\_model/coordinate\_descent y = column\_or\_1d(y, warn=True)

/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/model\_selection/\_split.py:2053: warnings.warn(CV\_WARNING, FutureWarning)

The alpha we should use for lasso regression is: 1.0 the intercept is: [6.91522968]

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	0	1
0	age	0
1	height_cm	-0
2	weight_kg	0
3	crossing	0.0204125
4	finishing	0.00998851
5	heading_accuracy	0.0431929
6	short_passing	0.194018
7	volleys	-0
8	dribbling	0.00547681
9	curve	0
10	<pre>free_kick_accuracy</pre>	0
11	long_passing	0
12	ball_control	0.203133
13	acceleration	0.0261684
14	sprint_speed	0.0111252
15	agility	0
16	reactions	0.200533
17	balance	-0
18	shot_power	0
19	jumping	0
20	stamina	0.0376082
21	strength	0.0314665
22	long_shots	0.0207321
23	aggression	0.00614993
24	interceptions	0.0108572
25	positioning	-0
26	vision	0.00419401
27	penalties	0.00809233
28	composure	0.0915333
29	marking	0.00131498
30	standing_tackle	0.00335376
31	${\tt sliding\_tackle}$	0
32	gk_diving	0
33	gk_handling	0
34	gk_kicking	0

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In [102]: used_variables =['Overall','Potential','age', 'height_cm', 'weight_kg', 'crossing', 'h
                 'short_passing', 'dribbling',
                  'ball_control', 'acceleration',
                  'reactions', 'stamina',
                 'strength', 'long_shots', 'interceptions',
                 'vision', 'composure', 'marking', 'standing_tackle']
          corr_variables = data[used_variables]
          colormap = plt.cm.inferno
         plt.figure(figsize=(13,13))
         plt.title('Pearson correlation of used Features with Targets',
                    y=1.05, size=13)
          sns.heatmap(corr_variables.corr(),linewidths=0.1,vmax=1.0,
                      square=True, cmap=colormap, linecolor='white', annot=True)
Out[102]: <Figure size 936x936 with 0 Axes>
Out[102]: Text(0.5, 1.05, 'Pearson correlation of used Features with Targets')
Out[102]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1c532a89e8>
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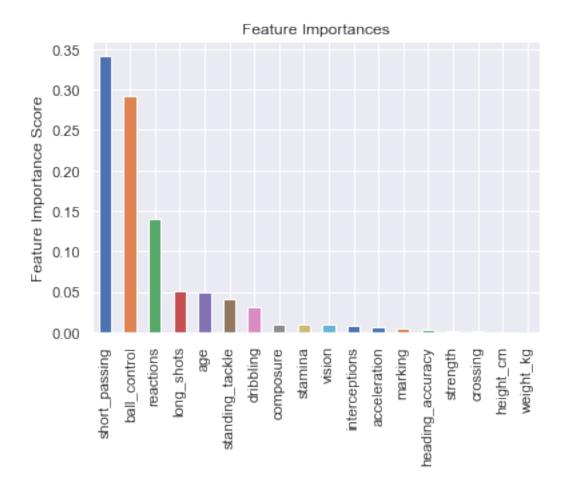
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X_std = scaler.fit_transform(x)
         regr_cv = RidgeCV(alphas=np.arange(0.001,9999.999))
         # Fit the linear regression
         model_cv = regr_cv.fit(X_std, y2)
         model_cv.alpha_
         print("The alpha we should use for ridge regression is:" ,model_cv.alpha_)
         x.shape
         #Fitting ridge regression to the reduced model
         #Note we use the suggested alpha of 55.01
         X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test=train_test_split(x, y2, test_size=0.3, random_state=0)
         lr = LinearRegression()
         lr.fit(X_train, y_train)
         #Ridge fit: Finding out what alpha to use for ridge
         ridge = Ridge(alpha=55.01)
         ridge.fit(X_train, y_train)
         y_prediction = ridge.predict(X_test)
         ridge_coef=ridge.coef_
         cols=np.array(x.columns)
         ridge_coef=ridge.coef_
         cols=np.array(x.columns)
         cols=cols.reshape(18,1)
         ridge_coef=ridge_coef.reshape(18,1)
         ridge_coefs=np.concatenate((cols, ridge_coef), axis=1)
         ridge_coefs=pd.DataFrame(ridge_coefs)
         ridge_intercept=ridge.intercept_
         print(ridge_intercept)
         print(ridge_coefs)
Out[103]: array([[0.02041246, 0.00998851, 0.04319294, 0.19401826, 0.00547681,
                 0.20313274, 0.0261684, 0.01112518, 0.20053299, 0.03760819,
                 0.03146648, 0.0207321, 0.00614993, 0.01085724, 0.00419401,
                 0.00809233, 0.09153333, 0.00131498, 0.00335376]])
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data
  return self.partial_fit(X, y)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn
 return self.fit(X, **fit_params).transform(X)
Out[103]: 55.00099999999999
Out[103]: (8471, 18)
Out[103]: LinearRegression(copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, n_jobs=None,
                  normalize=False)
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scaler = StandardScaler()

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Out[103]: Ridge(alpha=55.01, copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, max_iter=None,
             normalize=False, random_state=None, solver='auto', tol=0.001)
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          weight_kg
                     0.0294251
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           crossing 0.00663918
4
  heading_accuracy
                     0.0253147
5
      short_passing
                      0.210048
6
          dribbling 0.0276017
7
       ball_control 0.0747416
8
       acceleration 0.0244876
9
          reactions 0.188915
10
             stamina 0.013117
11
           strength 0.0143285
12
          long_shots -0.0167068
13
       interceptions 0.00766452
14
             vision 0.00727878
15
                      0.0688174
          composure
16
             marking
                     -0.0525116
17
     standing_tackle
                       0.025667
In [104]: #Model Evaluation for Value
          X_train,X_test,y_train,y_test=train_test_split(x,y2,test_size=0.3,random_state=0)
          Ridge_train_score = ridge.score(X_train,y_train)
         Ridge_test_score = ridge.score(X_test, y_test)
         y_prediction = ridge.predict(X_test)
         print("The training and test scores respectively are: " ,Ridge_train_score, "and" ,Rid
          from math import sqrt
          from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
         RMSE_test=sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_true=y_test,y_pred=y_prediction))
         print("\n Root Mean Square Error of test set is:" ,RMSE_test)
          from sklearn import metrics
          from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
          scores=cross_val_score(ridge,X,y2,cv=5)
          print("\n K-folds cross validation scores:" ,scores)
The training and test scores respectively are: 0.45178550541072693 and 0.4611055075784981
Root Mean Square Error of test set is: 4.372830190504617
                                                                           0.45005531 -8.69297
K-folds cross validation scores: [ 0.42382554 -81.09512036 0.44096329
In [105]: #Gradient Boosting Regression
```

```
'short_passing', 'dribbling',
                  'ball_control', 'acceleration',
                  'reactions', 'stamina',
                 'strength', 'long_shots', 'interceptions',
                 'vision', 'composure', 'marking', 'standing_tackle']
          dta=data[cm_reduced]
          def modelfit(alg, dtrain, features, performCV=True, printFeatureImportance=True, cv_fo
              #Fit the algorithm on the data
              alg.fit(dtrain[features],dtrain["Value (M)"] )
              #Predict training set:
              dtrain_predictions = alg.predict(dtrain[features])
              #Perform cross-validation:
              cv_score = cross_val_score(alg, dtrain[features], dtrain["Value (M)"], cv=cv_fold
                                                          scoring='neg_mean_squared_error')
              cv_score = np.sqrt(np.abs(cv_score))
              #Print model report:
              print ("\nModel Report")
              print ("RMSE: %.4g" % np.sqrt(metrics.mean_squared_error(dtrain["Value (M)"], dtr
              print ("CV Score : Mean - %.4g | Std - %.4g | Min - %.4g | Max - %.4g" % (np.mean)
                                                                                        np.std(cv
                                                                                         np.max(c
              if printFeatureImportance:
                  feat_imp = pd.Series(alg.feature_importances_, features).sort_values(ascending)
                  feat_imp.plot(kind='bar', title='Feature Importances')
                  plt.ylabel('Feature Importance Score')
          features = [i for i in dta.columns if i != "Value (M)"]
          target = "Value (M)"
          gbm0 = GradientBoostingRegressor(random_state=7)
          modelfit(gbm0, dta, features)
Model Report
RMSE : 1.03
CV Score: Mean - 1.111 | Std - 0.8587 | Min - 0.2661 | Max - 2.905
```

cm\_reduced=['Value (M)','age', 'height\_cm', 'weight\_kg', 'crossing', 'heading\_accuracy

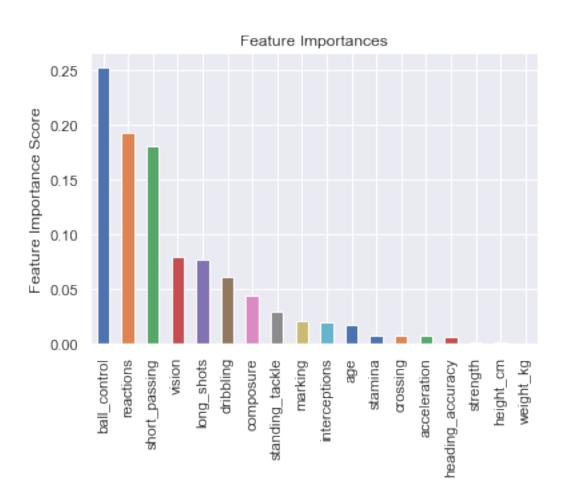


```
In [106]: #Tuning with GridSearch
          estimators = [x \text{ for } x \text{ in range}(700,750,10)]
          param_test1 = {'n_estimators':estimators}
          gsearch1 = GridSearchCV(estimator = GradientBoostingRegressor(learning_rate=0.1, min_s
                                             min_samples_leaf=50,max_depth=8,max_features='sqrt',
                                  param_grid = param_test1, scoring='neg_mean_squared_error',n_jc
          gsearch1.fit(dta[features],dta["Value (M)"])
          gsearch1.score, gsearch1.best_params_, gsearch1.best_score_
          modelfit(gsearch1.best_estimator_, dta, features)
Out[106]: GridSearchCV(cv=10, error_score='raise-deprecating',
                 estimator=GradientBoostingRegressor(alpha=0.9, criterion='friedman_mse', init=N
                       learning_rate=0.1, loss='ls', max_depth=8,
                       max_features='sqrt', max_leaf_nodes=None,
                       min_impurity_decrease=0.0, min_impurity_split=None,
                       min_samples_leaf=50, min_sa...
                                                             subsample=0.8, tol=0.0001, validation
                       warm_start=False),
                 fit_params=None, iid=False, n_jobs=4,
```

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param_grid={'n_estimators': [700, 710, 720, 730, 740]},
pre_dispatch='2*n_jobs', refit=True, return_train_score='warn',
scoring='neg_mean_squared_error', verbose=0)
```

Model Report RMSE: 0.889

CV Score: Mean - 1.118 | Std - 1.06 | Min - 0.1824 | Max - 3.193



```
In [107]: #MODEL CREATION
          #Create our New Model with Interaction Terms
          data=CM
          lnVal=pd.DataFrame((data["Value (M)"]+1).apply(np.log))
          lnVal.columns = ['ln_value']
          cm_dta = pd.concat([lnVal, data], axis=1)
          cm_dta.head()
          data=cm dta
          def cm_skills_off (row):
              return row['short_passing'] * row['ball_control'] * row['long_shots'] *row['dribbl
          def cm_skills_def (row):
              return row['standing_tackle']*row['marking']
          def cm_ath_ment (row):
              return row['stamina'] * row['acceleration'] *row['composure'] *row['reactions'] *
          def cm_phy (row):
              return row['height_cm'] * row['weight_kg']
          data['cm_skills_off'] = data.apply(cm_skills_off, axis=1)
          data['cm_skills_def'] = data.apply(cm_skills_def, axis=1)
          data['cm_ath_ment'] = data.apply(cm_ath_ment, axis=1)
          data['cm_phy'] = data.apply(cm_phy, axis=1)
          features=['age', 'cm_skills_off', 'cm_skills_def', 'cm_ath_ment', 'cm_phy']
          x=data[features]
          #We must now scale the features
          x =pd.DataFrame(scaler.fit_transform(x))
          x.columns= ['age', 'cm_skills_off', 'cm_skills_def', 'cm_ath_ment', 'cm_phy']
          #We have now addressed the issue of endogenity by including interaction terms
          X=sm.add_constant(x)
          y1=data[overall_target]
          y2=data[value_target]
          y3=data[ln_value]
          mod=sm.OLS(y1,X)
          res=mod.fit(cov_type='HCO')
          yhat = res.fittedvalues
          OLS_{model} = sm.OLS(y2,X)
          OLS_results=OLS_model.fit(cov_type='HCO')
          #results of new model on value
          print(OLS_results.summary())
          OLS_{model2} = sm.OLS(y3,X)
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OLS_results2=OLS_model2.fit(cov_type='HCO')
#results for new model on value elasticity
print(OLS_results2.summary())
print(res.aic)
#Plot of y-hat for y-true on the reduced model for overall rating
from statsmodels.graphics.api import abline_plot
fig, ax = plt.subplots()
ax.scatter(yhat, y1)
line_fit = sm.OLS(y1, sm.add_constant(yhat, prepend=True)).fit()
abline_plot(model_results=line_fit, ax=ax)

ax.set_title('New Model fit to Overall')
ax.set_ylabel('Observed values')
ax.set_xlabel('Fitted values');
```

/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data return self.partial\_fit(X, y)

/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn return self.fit(X, \*\*fit\_params).transform(X)

#### OLS Regression Results

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Dep. Variable:		Value (M)	R-squared:		0.578	
Model:		OLS	Adj. R-squared:		0.578	
Method:	Least Squares		F-statist	ic:		337.8
Date:	Thu,	06 Dec 2018	Prob (F-s	statistic):		0.00
Time:		18:47:16	Log-Likel	ihood:	-	23419.
No. Observations	:	8471	AIC:		4.6	85e+04
Df Residuals:		8465	BIC:		4.6	89e+04
Df Model:		5				
Covariance Type:		HCO				
=======================================	=======				========	=======
	coef	std err	z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]
const	 2.9211	0.042	70.004	0.000	2.839	3.003
	-1.1676		-25.104			-1.076
0	2.6849		21.527		2.440	
		0.082				
	2.6390		17.521		2.344	
			7.251	0.000	0.254	0.443
Omnibus:	=======	9573.454	======= Durbin-Wa		=======	0.745
Prob(Omnibus):		0.000			15009	61.550
Skew:		5.667	Prob(JB):			0.00
Kurtosis:		67.219	Cond. No.			3.65
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## Warnings:

# [1] Standard Errors are heteroscedasticity robust (HCO) OLS Regression Results

Dep. Variable:	ln_value	R-squared:	0.793
Model:	OLS	Adj. R-squared:	0.793
Method:	Least Squares	F-statistic:	4110.
Date:	Thu, 06 Dec 2018	Prob (F-statistic):	0.00
Time:	18:47:16	Log-Likelihood:	-3498.2
No. Observations:	8471	AIC:	7008.
Df Residuals:	8465	BIC:	7051.
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Df Model: 5
Covariance Type: HCO

	coef	std err	z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]
const	0.9222	0.004	232.102	0.000	0.914	0.930
age	-0.1603	0.004	-38.835	0.000	-0.168	-0.152
cm_skills_off	0.5110	0.008	67.173	0.000	0.496	0.526
cm_skills_def	0.0425	0.006	6.867	0.000	0.030	0.055
cm_ath_ment	0.2878	0.008	34.597	0.000	0.271	0.304
cm_phy	0.0441	0.004	10.181	0.000	0.036	0.053
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Umnibus:		1231.245	Durbin-Watson:			1.511
Prob(Omnibus):		0.000	Jarque-Bera (JB):		186	34.013
Skew:		-0.090	Prob(JB):			0.00
Kurtosis:		10.264	Cond. No	•		3.65

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### Warnings:

<sup>[1]</sup> Standard Errors are heteroscedasticity robust (HCO) 41525.51401839299



As shown above the created model improved the score and solved the collinearity problem. Positional Value Modeling: Wingers

# 12 Wingers

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In [108]: data=W
          lnVal=pd.DataFrame((data["Value (M)"]+1).apply(np.log))
          lnVal.columns = ['ln_value']
          W_dta = pd.concat([lnVal, data], axis=1)
          data=W_dta
          x=data[attribute_profile]
          X=sm.add_constant(x)
          y1=data[overall_target]
         y2=data[value_target]
          y3=data[ln_value]
          #OLS for Overall
          OLS_{model} = sm.OLS(y1,X)
          OLS_results=OLS_model.fit(cov_type='HCO')
          print("The R-squared for the attributes with overall is:" ,OLS_results.rsquared_adj)
          OLS_{model2} = sm.OLS(y2,X)
          OLS_results2=OLS_model2.fit(cov_type='HCO')
          print("\n\nThe adjusted R-squared for the original CB value model is:" ,OLS_results2.r
         print("\nThe model AIC is: " ,OLS_results2.aic)
```

```
lr = LinearRegression()
          lr.fit(X_train, y_train)
          #Lasso Fit (Overall)
          lasso = Lasso(alpha=1.0, max_iter=1000000).fit(X_train, y_train)
          from sklearn.linear_model import LassoCV
          from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
          X_std = scaler.fit_transform(x)
          regr_cv = LassoCV(alphas=np.arange(1,9999.999))
          # Fit the linear regression
          model_cv = regr_cv.fit(X_std, y1)
          print("The alpha we should use for lasso regression is:" ,model_cv.alpha_)
          lasso = Lasso(alpha=1.0, max_iter=1000000).fit(X_train, y_train)
          #Lasso Coefficients
          y_prediction = lasso.predict(X_test)
          lasso_coef=lasso.coef_
          cols=np.array(x.columns)
          cols=cols.reshape(37,1)
          lasso_coef=lasso_coef.reshape(37,1)
          coefs=np.concatenate((cols, lasso_coef), axis=1)
          coefs=pd.DataFrame(coefs)
          intercept=lasso.intercept_
          print("the intercept is:" ,intercept)
          print(coefs)
The R-squared for the attributes with overall is: 0.9482678210525392
The adjusted R-squared for the original CB value model is: 0.4663801039643096
The model AIC is: 39714.73444436689
Out[108]: LinearRegression(copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, n_jobs=None,
                   normalize=False)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data
  return self.partial_fit(X, y)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn
  return self.fit(X, **fit_params).transform(X)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/linear_model/coordinate_descent
  y = column_or_1d(y, warn=True)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/model_selection/_split.py:2053:
  warnings.warn(CV_WARNING, FutureWarning)
```

X\_train, X\_test, y\_train, y\_test=train\_test\_split(x, y1, test\_size=0.3, random\_state=0)

#Lasso Regression

```
0
                                    0
                    age
                                    0
1
             height_cm
2
             weight_kg
                                    0
3
              crossing
                           0.0800667
             finishing
4
                           0.0207548
5
      heading_accuracy
                           0.0299778
         short_passing
6
                            0.127622
7
                volleys
                                    0
8
             dribbling
                            0.113739
9
                                    0
                  curve
                                    0
    free_kick_accuracy
11
          long_passing
                          0.00250001
12
          ball_control
                            0.175502
13
          acceleration
                           0.0511156
14
          sprint_speed
                           0.0377649
15
                agility
                                    0
16
             reactions
                            0.125395
17
                balance
                                    0
18
            shot_power
                                    0
19
                jumping
                          0.00194869
20
                stamina
                           0.0354372
21
               strength
                          0.00806433
22
            long_shots
                           0.0121247
            aggression
23
                          0.00117876
24
         interceptions
                          0.00255774
25
           positioning
                           0.0583953
26
                 vision
                           0.0151737
27
             penalties
                          0.00629393
28
             composure
                           0.0316954
29
                marking
                                    0
30
       standing_tackle
                         8.01611e-05
        sliding_tackle
31
                         0.000733575
32
             gk_diving
                                    0
           gk_handling
                                    0
33
34
            gk_kicking
                                   -0
35
        gk_positioning
                                    0
           gk_reflexes
36
                                   -0
In [109]: used_variables = ['Overall', 'Potential', 'age', 'height_cm', 'weight_kg', 'crossing', '
                  'short_passing', 'dribbling', 'ball_control', 'acceleration', 'sprint_speed',
                  'reactions', 'stamina',
                  'long_shots', 'positioning',
                  'vision', 'composure']
          corr_variables = data[used_variables]
```

The alpha we should use for lasso regression is: 1.0

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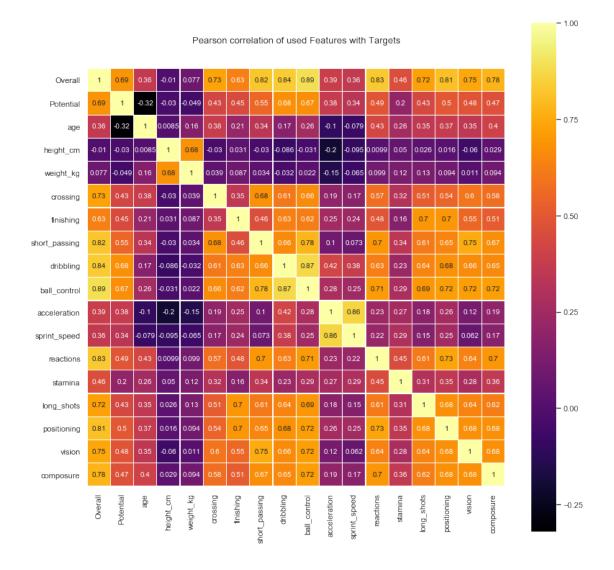
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the intercept is: [5.93441979]

Out[109]: <Figure size 936x936 with 0 Axes>

Out[109]: Text(0.5, 1.05, 'Pearson correlation of used Features with Targets')

Out[109]: <matplotlib.axes.\_subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x11be61198>



```
w_features_used=['age', 'height_cm', 'weight_kg', 'crossing', 'finishing',
                 'short_passing', 'dribbling', 'ball_control', 'acceleration', 'sprint_speed',
                 'reactions', 'stamina',
                 'long_shots', 'positioning',
                 'vision', 'composure']
          #Finding the best alpha for ridge regression for value
          x=data[w_features_used]
          y2=data[value_target]
          from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
          from sklearn.linear_model import RidgeCV
          scaler = StandardScaler()
          X_std = scaler.fit_transform(x)
          regr_cv = RidgeCV(alphas=np.arange(0.001,9999.999))
          # Fit the linear regression
          model_cv = regr_cv.fit(X_std, y2)
          model_cv.alpha_
          print("The alpha we should use for ridge regression is:" ,model_cv.alpha_)
          x.shape
          #Fitting ridge regression to the reduced model
          #Note we use the suggested alpha of 79.01
          X_train,X_test,y_train,y_test=train_test_split(x,y2,test_size=0.3,random_state=0)
          lr = LinearRegression()
          lr.fit(X_train, y_train)
          #Ridge fit: Finding out what alpha to use for ridge
          ridge = Ridge(alpha=79.01)
          ridge.fit(X_train, y_train)
          y_prediction = ridge.predict(X_test)
          ridge_coef=ridge.coef_
          cols=np.array(x.columns)
          ridge_coef=ridge.coef_
          cols=np.array(x.columns)
          cols=cols.reshape(16,1)
          ridge_coef=ridge_coef.reshape(16,1)
          ridge_coefs=np.concatenate((cols, ridge_coef), axis=1)
          ridge_coefs=pd.DataFrame(ridge_coefs)
          ridge_intercept=ridge.intercept_
          print(ridge_intercept)
          print(ridge_coefs)
Out[110]: array([[8.00666953e-02, 2.07547591e-02, 2.99778029e-02, 1.27622375e-01,
                  1.13738671e-01, 2.50001130e-03, 1.75502420e-01, 5.11155599e-02,
                  3.77649071e-02, 1.25394551e-01, 1.94868733e-03, 3.54371854e-02,
                  8.06433388e-03, 1.21246975e-02, 1.17875974e-03, 2.55774399e-03,
                  5.83953203e-02, 1.51737182e-02, 6.29393383e-03, 3.16954496e-02,
                  8.01610996e-05, 7.33574595e-04]])
```

np.take(features, indices)

```
return self.partial_fit(X, y)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn
 return self.fit(X, **fit_params).transform(X)
Out[110]: 79.00099999999999
Out[110]: (6685, 16)
Out[110]: LinearRegression(copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, n_jobs=None,
                  normalize=False)
Out[110]: Ridge(alpha=79.01, copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, max_iter=None,
            normalize=False, random_state=None, solver='auto', tol=0.001)
[-37.96628836]
               0
                         1
0
             age -0.338955
1
       height_cm 0.0354684
2
       weight_kg -0.0150212
3
        crossing 0.0405286
4
       finishing 0.0567221
5
   short_passing 0.0972522
6
       dribbling 0.0548051
7
    ball_control
                  0.12961
8
    acceleration 0.0501735
9
    sprint_speed -0.0163293
       reactions 0.141411
10
11
         stamina 0.0124369
12
      long_shots -0.0305993
13
     positioning 0.0484458
14
          vision 0.0315826
15
       composure
                   0.065729
In [111]: #Model Evaluation for Value
         X_train,X_test,y_train,y_test=train_test_split(x,y2,test_size=0.3,random_state=0)
         Ridge_train_score = ridge.score(X_train,y_train)
         Ridge_test_score = ridge.score(X_test, y_test)
         y_prediction = ridge.predict(X_test)
         print("The training and test scores respectively are: " ,Ridge_train_score, "and" ,Rid
         from math import sqrt
         from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
         RMSE_test=sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_true=y_test,y_pred=y_prediction))
         print("\n Root Mean Square Error of test set is:" ,RMSE_test)
         from sklearn import metrics
```

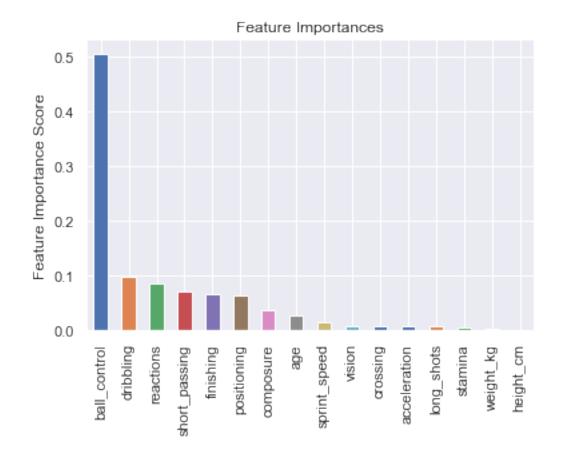
```
from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
          scores=cross_val_score(ridge,X,y2,cv=5)
          print("\n K-folds cross validation scores:" ,scores)
The training and test scores respectively are: 0.44352486274701625 and 0.5149970405114312
Root Mean Square Error of test set is: 4.00026697162954
K-folds cross validation scores: [ 0.43742721 -8.6296417
                                                               0.50575815 -11.95888424
                                                                                         0.35889
In [112]: #GBT
          #Gradient Boosting Regression
         w_reduced=['Value (M)', 'age', 'height_cm', 'weight_kg', 'crossing', 'finishing',
                 'short_passing', 'dribbling', 'ball_control', 'acceleration', 'sprint_speed',
                 'reactions', 'stamina',
                 'long_shots', 'positioning',
                 'vision', 'composure']
          dta=data[w_reduced]
          def modelfit(alg, dtrain, features, performCV=True, printFeatureImportance=True, cv_fo
              #Fit the algorithm on the data
              alg.fit(dtrain[features],dtrain["Value (M)"] )
              #Predict training set:
              dtrain_predictions = alg.predict(dtrain[features])
              #Perform cross-validation:
              cv_score = cross_val_score(alg, dtrain[features], dtrain["Value (M)"], cv=cv_fold
                                                          scoring='neg_mean_squared_error')
              cv_score = np.sqrt(np.abs(cv_score))
              #Print model report:
              print ("\nModel Report")
              print ("RMSE : %.4g" % np.sqrt(metrics.mean_squared_error(dtrain["Value (M)"], dtr
              print ("CV Score: Mean - %.4g | Std - %.4g | Min - %.4g | Max - %.4g" % (np.mean)
                                                                                       np.std(cv
                                                                                        np.max(c
              if printFeatureImportance:
                  feat_imp = pd.Series(alg.feature_importances_, features).sort_values(ascending)
                  feat_imp.plot(kind='bar', title='Feature Importances')
                  plt.ylabel('Feature Importance Score')
```

features = [i for i in dta.columns if i != "Value (M)"]

```
target = "Value (M)"
gbm0 = GradientBoostingRegressor(random_state=7)
modelfit(gbm0, dta, features)
```

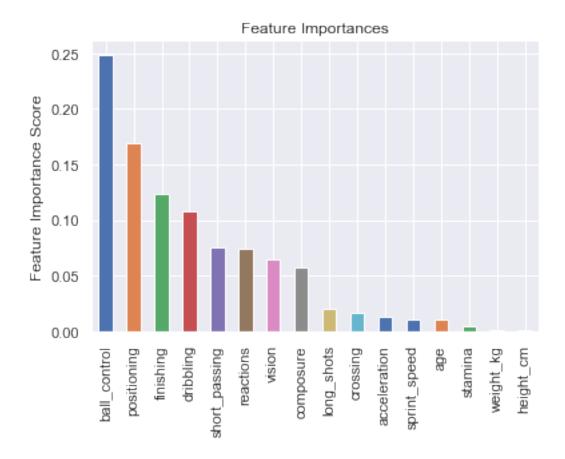
Model Report RMSE: 0.9378

CV Score : Mean - 1.408 | Std - 0.8006 | Min - 0.3983 | Max - 2.681



```
learning_rate=0.1, loss='ls', max_depth=8,
                       max_features='sqrt', max_leaf_nodes=None,
                       min_impurity_decrease=0.0, min_impurity_split=None,
                       min_samples_leaf=50, min_sa...
                                                            subsample=0.8, tol=0.0001, validation
                       warm_start=False),
                 fit_params=None, iid=False, n_jobs=4,
                 param_grid={'n_estimators': [700, 710, 720, 730, 740]},
                 pre_dispatch='2*n_jobs', refit=True, return_train_score='warn',
                 scoring='neg_mean_squared_error', verbose=0)
Out[113]: (<bound method BaseSearchCV.score of GridSearchCV(cv=10, error_score='raise-deprecating
                  estimator=GradientBoostingRegressor(alpha=0.9, criterion='friedman_mse', init=
                        learning_rate=0.1, loss='ls', max_depth=8,
                        max_features='sqrt', max_leaf_nodes=None,
                        min_impurity_decrease=0.0, min_impurity_split=None,
                        min_samples_leaf=50, min_sa...
                                                            subsample=0.8, tol=0.0001, validati
                        warm_start=False),
                  fit_params=None, iid=False, n_jobs=4,
                  param_grid={'n_estimators': [700, 710, 720, 730, 740]},
                  pre_dispatch='2*n_jobs', refit=True, return_train_score='warn',
                  scoring='neg_mean_squared_error', verbose=0)>,
           {'n_estimators': 740},
           -3.4767927712485758)
Model Report
RMSE : 1.151
```

CV Score: Mean - 1.456 | Std - 1.165 | Min - 0.2721 | Max - 3.746



### In [114]: #MODEL CREATION

```
#Create our New Model with Interaction Terms

def w_skills (row):
    return row['short_passing'] * row['ball_control'] *row['dribbling']

def w_skills_off (row):
    return row['positioning']*row['finishing']

def w_ath_ment (row):
    return row['stamina'] * row['acceleration'] *row['sprint_speed']*row['composure']

#def w_mentality (row):
    #return row['composure'] *row['reactions'] * row['vision']

def w_phy (row):
    return row['height_cm'] * row['weight_kg']

data['w_skills'] = data.apply(w_skills, axis=1)

data['w_skills_off'] = data.apply(w_skills_off, axis=1)
```

```
x=data[features]
          #We must now scale the features
          x =pd.DataFrame(scaler.fit_transform(x))
          x.columns=['age', 'w_skills', 'w_skills_off', 'w_ath_ment', 'w_phy']
          #We have now addressed the issue of endogenity by including interaction terms
          X=sm.add_constant(x)
          y1=data[overall_target]
          y2=data[value_target]
          y3=data[ln_value]
          mod=sm.OLS(y1,X)
          res=mod.fit(cov_type='HCO')
          yhat = res.fittedvalues
          OLS_{model} = sm.OLS(y2,X)
          OLS_results=OLS_model.fit(cov_type='HCO')
          #results of new model on value
          print(OLS_results.summary())
          OLS_{model2} = sm.OLS(y3,X)
          OLS_results2=OLS_model2.fit(cov_type='HCO')
          #results for new model on value elasticity
          print(OLS_results2.summary())
          print(res.aic)
          #Plot of y-hat for y-true on the reduced model for overall rating
          from statsmodels.graphics.api import abline_plot
          fig, ax = plt.subplots()
          ax.scatter(yhat, y1)
          line_fit = sm.OLS(y1, sm.add_constant(yhat, prepend=True)).fit()
          abline_plot(model_results=line_fit, ax=ax)
          ax.set_title('New Model fit to Overall')
          ax.set_ylabel('Observed values')
          ax.set_xlabel('Fitted values');
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data
  return self.partial_fit(X, y)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn
  return self.fit(X, **fit_params).transform(X)
                            OLS Regression Results
Dep. Variable:
                            Value (M)
                                                                          0.601
                                        R-squared:
Model:
                                  OLS
                                        Adj. R-squared:
                                                                          0.601
                                                                          240.9
Method:
                        Least Squares
                                        F-statistic:
```

data['w\_ath\_ment'] = data.apply(w\_ath\_ment, axis=1)
#data['w\_mentality'] = data.apply(w\_ath, axis=1)

features=['age', 'w\_skills', 'w\_skills\_off', 'w\_ath\_ment', 'w\_phy']

data['w\_phy'] = data.apply(w\_phy, axis=1)

Prob (F-statistic): Date: Thu, 06 Dec 2018 3.06e-237 Time: 20:44:24 Log-Likelihood: -18863. No. Observations: 3.774e+04 6685 AIC: Df Residuals: 6679 BIC: 3.778e+04

Df Model: 5
Covariance Type: HC0

==========	-=======	=========		========	========	=======
	coef	std err	Z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]
const	3.1022	0.050	62.372	0.000	3.005	3.200
age	-1.1215	0.055	-20.209	0.000	-1.230	-1.013
w_skills	2.4689	0.126	19.569	0.000	2.222	2.716
w_skills_off	0.3022	0.081	3.729	0.000	0.143	0.461
w_ath_ment	2.8084	0.209	13.455	0.000	2.399	3.218
w_phy	0.2306	0.048	4.770	0.000	0.136	0.325
Omnibus:		8926.764	  -Durbin	======== Watson:	========	0.548
Prob(Omnibus):		0.000	2 42 4 2 2 2 2 3	Bera (JB):	3249	0.010
Skew:		7.372	Prob(JB)		0210	0.00
Kurtosis:		110.000	Cond. No			3.50

#### Warnings:

# [1] Standard Errors are heteroscedasticity robust (HCO) OLS Regression Results

\_\_\_\_\_ Dep. Variable: ln\_value R-squared: 0.881 Model: Adj. R-squared: OLS 0.881 Method: Least Squares F-statistic: 7349. Date: Thu, 06 Dec 2018 Prob (F-statistic): 0.00 20:44:25 Time: Log-Likelihood: -980.83 No. Observations: 6685 AIC: 1974. Df Residuals: 6679 BIC: 2015.

Df Model: 5
Covariance Type: HC0

========	coef	std err	z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]
const	0.9536	0.003	278.243	0.000	0.947	0.960
age	-0.1408	0.004	-38.874	0.000	-0.148	-0.134
w_skills	0.4566	0.007	62.177	0.000	0.442	0.471
w_skills_off	0.0994	0.007	14.001	0.000	0.085	0.113
w_ath_ment	0.2985	0.007	42.892	0.000	0.285	0.312
w_phy	0.0283	0.004	7.349	0.000	0.021	0.036
=========	=======	=======	=======	========	========	======

 Omnibus:
 1446.349
 Durbin-Watson:
 1.453

 Prob(Omnibus):
 0.000
 Jarque-Bera (JB):
 16604.855

 Skew:
 -0.704
 Prob(JB):
 0.00

Kurtosis: 10.592 Cond. No. 3.50

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#### Warnings:

[1] Standard Errors are heteroscedasticity robust (HCO) 27407.84573999451



As shown above the created model improved the score and solved the collinearity problem. Positional Value Modeling: Forwards

## 13 Forwards

```
OLS_{model} = sm.OLS(y1,X)
          OLS_results=OLS_model.fit(cov_type='HCO')
          print("The R-squared for the attributes with overall is:" ,OLS_results.rsquared_adj)
          OLS_{model2} = sm.OLS(y2,X)
          OLS_results2=OLS_model2.fit(cov_type='HCO')
          print("\n\nThe adjusted R-squared for the original CB value model is:" ,OLS_results2.r
          print("\nThe model AIC is: " ,OLS_results2.aic)
          #Lasso Regression
          from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
          X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test=train_test_split(x, y1, test_size=0.3, random_state=0)
          lr = LinearRegression()
          lr.fit(X_train, y_train)
          #Lasso Fit (Overall)
          lasso = Lasso(alpha=1.0, max_iter=1000000).fit(X_train, y_train)
          from sklearn.linear_model import LassoCV
          from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
          scaler = StandardScaler()
          X_std=scaler.fit_transform(X)
          regr_cv = LassoCV(alphas=np.arange(1,9999.999))
          # Fit the linear regression
          model_cv = regr_cv.fit(X_std, y1)
          print("The alpha we should use for lasso regression is:" ,model_cv.alpha_)
          lasso = Lasso(alpha=1.0, max_iter=1000000).fit(X_train, y_train)
          #Lasso Coefficients
          y_prediction = lasso.predict(X_test)
          lasso_coef=lasso.coef_
          cols=np.array(x.columns)
          cols=cols.reshape(37,1)
          lasso_coef=lasso_coef.reshape(37,1)
          coefs=np.concatenate((cols, lasso_coef), axis=1)
          coefs=pd.DataFrame(coefs)
          intercept=lasso.intercept_
          print("the intercept is:" ,intercept)
          print(coefs)
The R-squared for the attributes with overall is: 0.9688747358983668
The adjusted R-squared for the original CB value model is: 0.4357079026258578
The model AIC is: 21638.390672754944
Out[115]: LinearRegression(copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, n_jobs=None,
```

#OLS for Overall

#### normalize=False)

/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data return self.partial\_fit(X, y)

/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn return self.fit(X, \*\*fit\_params).transform(X)

/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/linear\_model/coordinate\_descent y = column\_or\_1d(y, warn=True)

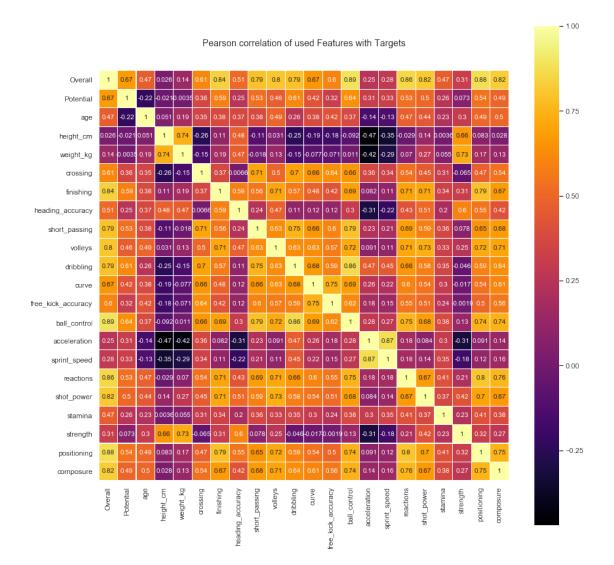
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/model\_selection/\_split.py:2053: warnings.warn(CV\_WARNING, FutureWarning)

The alpha we should use for lasso regression is: 1.0

the intercept is: [5.85079122]

	•	
	0	1
0	age	0
1	height_cm	0
2	weight_kg	0
3	crossing	0.00477795
4	finishing	0.113041
5	heading_accuracy	0.0426845
6	short_passing	0.0806355
7	volleys	0.00835998
8	dribbling	0.058005
9	curve	0.00328322
10	<pre>free_kick_accuracy</pre>	0.00273747
11	long_passing	0.000808266
12	ball_control	0.154566
13	acceleration	0.0246743
14	sprint_speed	0.0358264
15	agility	0
16	reactions	0.0884776
17	balance	-0
18	shot_power	0.0846525
19	jumping	0
20	stamina	0.00624438
21	strength	0.0321246
22	long_shots	0.0197307
23	aggression	0.00271808
24	interceptions	0
25	positioning	0.132097
26	vision	0
27	penalties	0
28	composure	0.0437402
29	marking	0
30	${\tt standing\_tackle}$	0
31	sliding_tackle	0
32	gk_diving	-0

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33
           gk_handling
                                 -0
34
            gk_kicking
                                 -0
        gk_positioning
35
                                  0
36
           gk_reflexes
                                  0
In [116]: used_variables = ['Overall', 'Potential', 'age', 'height_cm', 'weight_kg', 'crossing', '
                 'short_passing', 'volleys', 'dribbling', 'curve', 'free_kick_accuracy',
                  'ball_control', 'acceleration', 'sprint_speed', 'reactions', 'shot_power', 's
                 'strength', 'positioning','composure']
          corr_variables = data[used_variables]
          colormap = plt.cm.inferno
         plt.figure(figsize=(14,14))
         plt.title('Pearson correlation of used Features with Targets',
                    y=1.05, size=14)
          sns.heatmap(corr_variables.corr(),linewidths=0.1,vmax=1.0,
                      square=True, cmap=colormap, linecolor='white', annot=True)
Out[116]: <Figure size 1008x1008 with 0 Axes>
Out[116]: Text(0.5, 1.05, 'Pearson correlation of used Features with Targets')
Out[116]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1c5abca588>
```

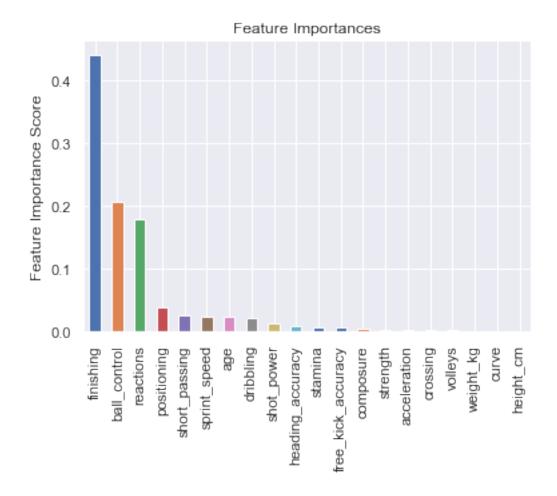


scaler = StandardScaler()

```
X_std = scaler.fit_transform(x)
         regr_cv = RidgeCV(alphas=np.arange(0.001,9999.999))
         # Fit the linear regression
         model_cv = regr_cv.fit(X_std, y2)
         model_cv.alpha_
         print("The alpha we should use for ridge regression is:" ,model_cv.alpha_)
         #Fitting ridge regression to the reduced model
         #Note we use the suggested alpha of 70.01
         X_train,X_test,y_train,y_test=train_test_split(x,y2,test_size=0.3,random_state=0)
         lr = LinearRegression()
         lr.fit(X_train, y_train)
         #Ridge fit: Finding out what alpha to use for ridge
         ridge = Ridge(alpha=70.01)
         ridge.fit(X_train, y_train)
         y_prediction = ridge.predict(X_test)
         ridge_coef=ridge.coef_
         cols=np.array(x.columns)
         ridge_coef=ridge.coef_
         cols=np.array(x.columns)
         cols=cols.reshape(20,1)
         ridge_coef=ridge_coef.reshape(20,1)
         ridge_coefs=np.concatenate((cols, ridge_coef), axis=1)
         ridge_coefs=pd.DataFrame(ridge_coefs)
         ridge_intercept=ridge.intercept_
         print(ridge_intercept)
         print(ridge_coefs)
Out[117]: array([[0.00477795, 0.11304053, 0.0426845, 0.0806355, 0.00835998,
                 0.05800503, 0.00328322, 0.00273747, 0.00080827, 0.15456563,
                 0.02467427, 0.03582643, 0.08847755, 0.08465247, 0.00624438,
                 0.03212463, 0.01973069, 0.00271808, 0.13209683, 0.04374019]])
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data
 return self.partial_fit(X, y)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn
 return self.fit(X, **fit_params).transform(X)
Out[117]: 70.00099999999999
Out[117]: (3518, 20)
Out[117]: LinearRegression(copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, n_jobs=None,
                  normalize=False)
```

```
Out[117]: Ridge(alpha=70.01, copy_X=True, fit_intercept=True, max_iter=None,
             normalize=False, random_state=None, solver='auto', tol=0.001)
[-31.65342991]
                     0
                                  1
0
                          -0.385521
                   age
1
             height_cm -0.00154746
2
             weight_kg
                          0.0106391
3
              crossing -0.00520718
4
             finishing
                          0.224509
5
     heading_accuracy -0.00814832
6
         short_passing
                          0.0660498
7
               volleys
                         0.00332663
8
             dribbling 0.000975116
9
                 curve
                          0.0178649
10 free_kick_accuracy
                          0.0191103
11
          ball_control
                         0.0787713
12
          acceleration 0.0109136
13
          sprint_speed
                          0.0159083
14
             reactions
                         0.152425
15
                         -0.043562
            shot_power
16
               stamina
                        0.0180914
17
              strength
                          0.0180124
           positioning
18
                          0.0455791
19
             composure
                          0.0708274
In [118]: #Model Evaluation for Value
          X_train,X_test,y_train,y_test=train_test_split(x,y2,test_size=0.3,random_state=0)
          Ridge_train_score = ridge.score(X_train,y_train)
          Ridge_test_score = ridge.score(X_test, y_test)
          y_prediction = ridge.predict(X_test)
          print("The training and test scores respectively are: " ,Ridge_train_score, "and" ,Rid
          from math import sqrt
          from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
          RMSE_test=sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_true=y_test,y_pred=y_prediction))
          print("\n Root Mean Square Error of test set is:" ,RMSE_test)
          from sklearn import metrics
          from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
          scores=cross_val_score(ridge,X,y2,cv=5)
          print("\n K-folds cross validation scores:" ,scores)
The training and test scores respectively are: 0.44459314787396115 and 0.4051721153012315
Root Mean Square Error of test set is: 5.640307227386972
 K-folds cross validation scores: [-3.26845515e-02 -1.81054077e+01 -9.75911635e+01 -3.14055837e+
 -1.22471176e-01]
```

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In [119]: #GBT
          #Gradient Boosting Regression
          f_reduced=['Value (M)', 'age', 'height_cm', 'weight_kg', 'crossing', 'finishing', 'head
                 'short_passing', 'volleys', 'dribbling', 'curve', 'free_kick_accuracy',
                  'ball_control', 'acceleration', 'sprint_speed', 'reactions', 'shot_power', 's
                 'strength', 'positioning','composure']
          dta=data[f_reduced]
          def modelfit(alg, dtrain, features, performCV=True, printFeatureImportance=True, cv_fo
              #Fit the algorithm on the data
              alg.fit(dtrain[features],dtrain["Value (M)"] )
              #Predict training set:
              dtrain_predictions = alg.predict(dtrain[features])
              #Perform cross-validation:
              cv_score = cross_val_score(alg, dtrain[features], dtrain["Value (M)"], cv=cv_fold
                                                          scoring='neg_mean_squared_error')
              cv_score = np.sqrt(np.abs(cv_score))
              #Print model report:
              print ("\nModel Report")
              print ("RMSE : %.4g" % np.sqrt(metrics.mean_squared_error(dtrain["Value (M)"], dtr
              print ("CV Score : Mean - %.4g | Std - %.4g | Min - %.4g | Max - %.4g" % (np.mean)
                                                                                        np.std(cv
                                                                                         np.max(c
              if printFeatureImportance:
                  feat_imp = pd.Series(alg.feature_importances_, features).sort_values(ascending)
                  feat_imp.plot(kind='bar', title='Feature Importances')
                  plt.ylabel('Feature Importance Score')
          features = [i for i in dta.columns if i != "Value (M)"]
          target = "Value (M)"
          gbm0 = GradientBoostingRegressor(random_state=7)
          modelfit(gbm0, dta, features)
Model Report
RMSE: 0.8192
CV Score: Mean - 1.575 | Std - 2.469 | Min - 0.1849 | Max - 8.807
```



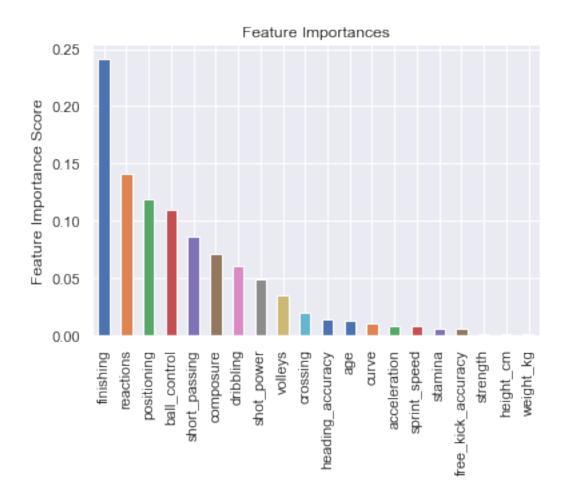
```
In [120]: estimators = [x \text{ for } x \text{ in range}(700,750,10)]
          param_test1 = {'n_estimators':estimators}
          gsearch1 = GridSearchCV(estimator = GradientBoostingRegressor(learning_rate=0.1, min_s
                                             min_samples_leaf=50, max_depth=8, max_features='sqrt',
                                  param_grid = param_test1, scoring='neg_mean_squared_error',n_jc
          gsearch1.fit(dta[features],dta["Value (M)"])
          gsearch1.score, gsearch1.best_params_, gsearch1.best_score_
          modelfit(gsearch1.best_estimator_, dta, features)
Out[120]: GridSearchCV(cv=10, error_score='raise-deprecating',
                 estimator=GradientBoostingRegressor(alpha=0.9, criterion='friedman_mse', init=N
                       learning_rate=0.1, loss='ls', max_depth=8,
                       max_features='sqrt', max_leaf_nodes=None,
                       min_impurity_decrease=0.0, min_impurity_split=None,
                       min_samples_leaf=50, min_sa...
                                                              subsample=0.8, tol=0.0001, validation
                       warm_start=False),
                 fit_params=None, iid=False, n_jobs=4,
```

```
pre_dispatch='2*n_jobs', refit=True, return_train_score='warn',
                 scoring='neg_mean_squared_error', verbose=0)
Out[120]: (<bound method BaseSearchCV.score of GridSearchCV(cv=10, error_score='raise-deprecating
                  estimator=GradientBoostingRegressor(alpha=0.9, criterion='friedman_mse', init=
                        learning_rate=0.1, loss='ls', max_depth=8,
                        max_features='sqrt', max_leaf_nodes=None,
                        min_impurity_decrease=0.0, min_impurity_split=None,
                                                            subsample=0.8, tol=0.0001, validati
                        min_samples_leaf=50, min_sa...
                        warm_start=False),
                  fit_params=None, iid=False, n_jobs=4,
                  param_grid={'n_estimators': [700, 710, 720, 730, 740]},
                  pre_dispatch='2*n_jobs', refit=True, return_train_score='warn',
                  scoring='neg_mean_squared_error', verbose=0)>,
           {'n_estimators': 730},
           -12.245103361932717)
```

CV Score: Mean - 1.81 | Std - 2.995 | Min - 0.1426 | Max - 10.45

Model Report RMSE : 1.312

param\_grid={'n\_estimators': [700, 710, 720, 730, 740]},



# In [121]: #MODEL CREATION

```
#Create our New Model with Interaction Terms

def f_skills (row):
    return row['short_passing'] * row['crossing'] *row['dribbling'] *row['ball_control
def f_skills_off (row):
    return row['positioning']*row['finishing']*row['volleys']*row['heading_accuracy']*
def f_ath_ment (row):
    return row['acceleration'] *row['sprint_speed']*row['strength'] *row['composure']

def f_phy (row):
    return row['height_cm'] * row['weight_kg']

data['f_skills'] = data.apply(w_skills, axis=1)
data['f_skills_off'] = data.apply(w_skills_off, axis=1)
data['f_ath_ment']= data.apply(w_ath_ment, axis=1)
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data['f_phy'] = data.apply(w_phy, axis=1)
          features=['age', 'f_skills', 'f_skills_off', 'f_ath_ment', 'f_phy']
          x=data[features]
          #We must now scale the features
          x =pd.DataFrame(scaler.fit_transform(x))
          x.columns=['age', 'f_skills', 'f_skills_off', 'f_ath_ment', 'f_phy']
          #We have now addressed the issue of endogenity by including interaction terms
          X=sm.add_constant(x)
          y1=data[overall_target]
          y2=data[value_target]
          y3=data[ln_value]
          mod=sm.OLS(y1,X)
          res=mod.fit(cov_type='HCO')
          yhat = res.fittedvalues
          OLS_{model} = sm.OLS(y2,X)
          OLS_results=OLS_model.fit(cov_type='HCO')
          #results of new model on value
          print(OLS_results.summary())
          OLS_{model2} = sm.OLS(y3,X)
          OLS_results2=OLS_model2.fit(cov_type='HCO')
          #results for new model on value elasticity
          print(OLS_results2.summary())
          print(res.aic)
          #Plot of y-hat for y-true on the reduced model for overall rating
          from statsmodels.graphics.api import abline_plot
          fig, ax = plt.subplots()
          ax.scatter(yhat, y1)
          line_fit = sm.OLS(y1, sm.add_constant(yhat, prepend=True)).fit()
          abline_plot(model_results=line_fit, ax=ax)
          ax.set_title('New Model fit to Overall')
          ax.set_ylabel('Observed values')
          ax.set_xlabel('Fitted values');
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data
  return self.partial_fit(X, y)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn
  return self.fit(X, **fit_params).transform(X)
```

#### OLS Regression Results

 Dep. Variable:
 Value (M)
 R-squared:
 0.578

 Model:
 0LS
 Adj. R-squared:
 0.577

 Method:
 Least Squares
 F-statistic:
 125.3

 Date:
 Thu, 06 Dec 2018
 Prob (F-statistic):
 2.21e-122

Time: No. Observations: Df Residuals: Df Model: Covariance Type:		20:55:49 3518 3512 5 HC0	AIC: BIC:	elihood:		-10290. 2.059e+04 2.063e+04			
==========	coef	std err	z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]			
const age f_skills f_skills_off f_ath_ment f_phy	0.8866 1.9764	0.091 0.181 0.148	4.885	0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000 0.000	2.839 -1.580 0.531 1.686 2.569 0.575	3.137 -1.222 1.242 2.267 4.158 0.969			
Omnibus: Prob(Omnibus): Skew: Kurtosis:			Durbin-Watson: Jarque-Bera (JB): Prob(JB):			0.539 1070366.257 0.00 3.70			
Warnings: [1] Standard Errors are heteroscedasticity robust (HCO)  OLS Regression Results									
		-	R-squared: Adj. R-squared: F-statistic: Prob (F-statistic): Log-Likelihood: AIC: BIC:			0.877 0.877 3573. 0.00 -562.58 1137. 1174.			
	coef	std err	z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]			
const age f_skills f_skills_off f_ath_ment f_phy	-0.1745 0.3067		-32.942 33.537			-0.164 0.325			
Omnibus: Prob(Omnibus): Skew: Kurtosis:		737.491 0.000 -0.755 9.357	<pre>Jarque-Bera (JB): Prob(JB):</pre>			1.323 6258.434 0.00 3.70			

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### Warnings:

[1] Standard Errors are heteroscedasticity robust (HCO) 13883.08945311086



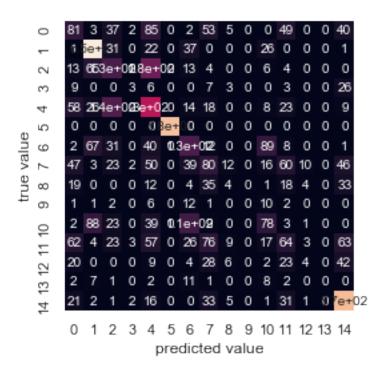
As shown above the created model improved the score and solved the collinearity problem.

# 14 Classifying Overall Rating and Position

```
'short_passing', 'volleys', 'dribbling', 'curve', 'free_kick_accuracy',
               'long_passing', 'ball_control', 'acceleration', 'sprint_speed',
               'agility', 'reactions', 'balance', 'shot_power', 'jumping', 'stamina',
               'strength', 'long_shots', 'aggression', 'interceptions', 'positioning',
               'vision', 'penalties', 'composure', 'marking', 'standing_tackle',
               'sliding_tackle', 'gk_diving', 'gk_handling', 'gk_kicking',
               'gk_positioning', 'gk_reflexes']
        all_attr=['Overall','Potential', 'Value (M)',
                 'league_id', 'age', 'height_cm', 'weight_kg', 'crossing', 'finishing', 'heading_
               'short_passing', 'volleys', 'dribbling', 'curve', 'free_kick_accuracy',
               'long_passing', 'ball_control', 'acceleration', 'sprint_speed',
               'agility', 'reactions', 'balance', 'shot_power', 'jumping', 'stamina',
               'strength', 'long_shots', 'aggression', 'interceptions', 'positioning',
               'vision', 'penalties', 'composure', 'marking', 'standing_tackle',
               'sliding_tackle', 'gk_diving', 'gk_handling', 'gk_kicking',
               'gk_positioning', 'gk_reflexes']
        targets=['Overall','Potential', 'Value (M)', 'ln_value', 'eur_value']
        data=pd.read_csv("Full_DF.csv")
  Classifying Player Position with k-NN Classification
In [132]: #Model Creation
          y=data[['Position']].copy()
          X=data[attribute_profile].copy()
          # Splitting the dataset into the Training set and Test set
          from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
          X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size = 0.3, random_stat
          # Feature Scaling
          from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
          sc = StandardScaler()
          X_train = sc.fit_transform(X_train)
          X_test = sc.transform(X_test)
          # Fitting K-NN to the Training set
          from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsClassifier
          classifier = KNeighborsClassifier(n_neighbors = 15, metric = 'minkowski', p = 2)
          classifier.fit(X_train, y_train)
          # Predicting the Test set results
          y_pred = classifier.predict(X_test)
          # Making the Confusion Matrix
          from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix
          import seaborn as sns
          mat = confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred)
          sns.heatmap(mat, square=True, annot=True, cbar=False)
```

attribute\_profile=['Potential','league\_id','age', 'height\_cm', 'weight\_kg', 'crossing',

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plt.xlabel('predicted value')
          plt.ylabel('true value');
          #algorithm score
          print(classifier.score(X_test, y_test))
          from sklearn import metrics
          from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
          CVscores=cross_val_score(classifier, X, y, cv=5)
          print(CVscores)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data
  return self.partial_fit(X, y)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn
  return self.fit(X, **fit_params).transform(X)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:12: DataConversion
  if sys.path[0] == '':
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:17: DataConversio
Out[132]: KNeighborsClassifier(algorithm='auto', leaf_size=30, metric='minkowski',
                     metric_params=None, n_jobs=None, n_neighbors=15, p=2,
                     weights='uniform')
Out[132]: <matplotlib.axes._subplots.AxesSubplot at 0x1c5ac43ac8>
Out[132]: Text(0.5, 12.5, 'predicted value')
Out[132]: Text(89.18, 0.5, 'true value')
0.5028184892897407
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/model_selection/_validation.py:
  estimator.fit(X_train, y_train, **fit_params)
[0.4635314  0.50676056  0.48830657  0.49083733  0.52230378]
```



## Classifying Overall Rating: Random Forrest

```
In [133]: #Model Creation
          y=data[['Overall']].copy()
          X=data[attribute_profile].copy()
          # Splitting the dataset into the Training set and Test set
          from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
          X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size = 0.3, random_stat
          # Feature Scaling
          from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
          sc = StandardScaler()
          X_train = sc.fit_transform(X_train)
          X_test = sc.transform(X_test)
          # Fitting Random Forest Classification to the Training set
          from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestClassifier
          classifier = RandomForestClassifier(n_estimators = 100, criterion = 'gini')
          classifier.fit(X_train, y_train)
          predictions = classifier.predict(X_test)
          from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix
          cm = pd.DataFrame(confusion_matrix(y_test, predictions))
          cm.head()
          \#Import\ scikit\mbox{-learn\ metrics\ module\ for\ accuracy\ calculation}
          from sklearn import metrics
          # Model Accuracy, how often is the classifier correct?
```

```
print("Accuracy:",metrics.accuracy_score(y_test, predictions))
          from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
          RMSE_test=sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_true=y_test,y_pred=predictions))
         print("Root Mean Square Error of test set is:" ,RMSE_test)
          from sklearn import metrics
          from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
          CVscores=cross_val_score(classifier, X, y, cv=5)
          print(CVscores)
         fig,ax=plt.subplots()
         predicted=predictions
         true=y_test
          ax.scatter(predicted,true)
         plt.xlabel('Predicted Overall')
         plt.ylabel('True Overall')
         plt.title('Predicted vs True')
         plt.grid(True)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data
  return self.partial_fit(X, y)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn
  return self.fit(X, **fit_params).transform(X)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:11: DataConversion
  # This is added back by InteractiveShellApp.init_path()
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:15: DataConversion
  from ipykernel import kernelapp as app
Out[133]: RandomForestClassifier(bootstrap=True, class_weight=None, criterion='gini',
                     max_depth=None, max_features='auto', max_leaf_nodes=None,
                     min_impurity_decrease=0.0, min_impurity_split=None,
                     min_samples_leaf=1, min_samples_split=2,
                     min_weight_fraction_leaf=0.0, n_estimators=100, n_jobs=None,
                      oob_score=False, random_state=None, verbose=0,
                      warm_start=False)
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# Accuracy: 0.43987222848553176 Root Mean Square Error of test set is: 1.478074760667067 /Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/model\_selection/\_split.py:652: % (min\_groups, self.n\_splits)), Warning) /Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/model\_selection/\_validation.py:

estimator.fit(X\_train, y\_train, \*\*fit\_params)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/model\_selection/\_validation.py:
 estimator.fit(X\_train, y\_train, \*\*fit\_params)

/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/model\_selection/\_validation.py: estimator.fit(X\_train, y\_train, \*\*fit\_params)

/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/model\_selection/\_validation.py: estimator.fit(X\_train, y\_train, \*\*fit\_params)

/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/model\_selection/\_validation.py: estimator.fit(X\_train, y\_train, \*\*fit\_params)

[0.42173061 0.41880101 0.43843336 0.45122986 0.43893454]

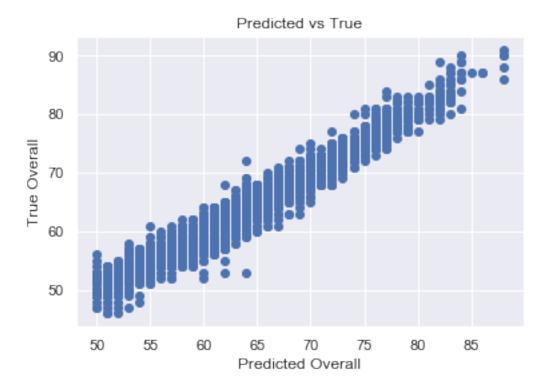
Out[133]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x1c58ac5dd8>

Out[133]: Text(0.5, 0, 'Predicted Overall')

[5 rows x 46 columns]

Out[133]: Text(0, 0.5, 'True Overall')

Out[133]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Predicted vs True')

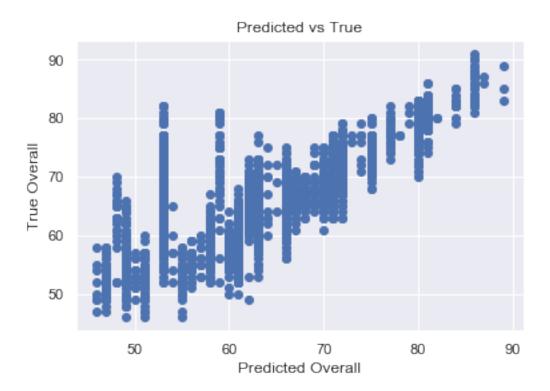


## Classifying Overall Rating: Bayesian Classification

```
In [125]: #Model Creation
          y=data[['Overall']].copy()
          X=data[attribute_profile].copy()
          # Splitting the dataset into the Training set and Test set
          from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
          X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size = 0.3, random_stat
          # Feature Scaling
          from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
          sc = StandardScaler()
          X_train = sc.fit_transform(X_train)
          X_test = sc.transform(X_test)
          from sklearn.naive_bayes import GaussianNB
          classifier= GaussianNB()
          classifier.fit(X_train, y_train)
          # Predicting the Test set results
          y_pred = classifier.predict(X_test)
          # Making the Confusion Matrix
          from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix
          cm = pd.DataFrame(confusion_matrix(y_test, predictions))
```

#Import scikit-learn metrics module for accuracy calculation

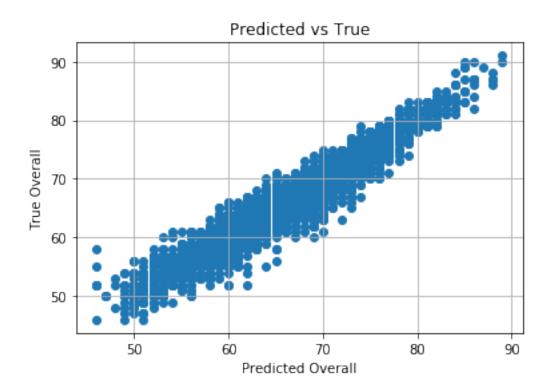
```
from sklearn import metrics
          # Model Accuracy, how often is the classifier correct?
          print("Accuracy:",metrics.accuracy_score(y_test,y_pred))
          from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
          RMSE_test=sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_true=y_test,y_pred=y_pred))
          print("Root Mean Square Error of test set is:" ,RMSE_test)
          fig,ax=plt.subplots()
          predicted=y_pred
          true=y_test
          ax.scatter(predicted,true)
          plt.xlabel('Predicted Overall')
          plt.ylabel('True Overall')
          plt.title('Predicted vs True')
          plt.grid(True)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data
  return self.partial_fit(X, y)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn
  return self.fit(X, **fit_params).transform(X)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:11: DataConversion
  # This is added back by InteractiveShellApp.init_path()
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/utils/validation.py:761: DataCo
 y = column_or_1d(y, warn=True)
Out[125]: GaussianNB(priors=None, var_smoothing=1e-09)
Accuracy: 0.11724915445321307
Root Mean Square Error of test set is: 5.25817843325294
Out[125]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x1c58a0da90>
Out[125]: Text(0.5, 0, 'Predicted Overall')
Out[125]: Text(0, 0.5, 'True Overall')
Out[125]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Predicted vs True')
```



Classifying Overall Rating: Support Vector Machine

```
In [5]: #Model Creation
        y=data[['Overall']].copy()
        X=data[attribute_profile].copy()
        # Splitting the dataset into the Training set and Test set
        from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
        X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size = 0.3, random_state
        # Feature Scaling
        from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
        sc = StandardScaler()
        X_train = sc.fit_transform(X_train)
        X_test = sc.transform(X_test)
        # Fitting SVM to the Training set
        from sklearn.svm import SVC
        classifier = SVC(kernel = 'linear', random_state = 0)
        classifier.fit(X_train, y_train)
        # Predicting the Test set results
        y_pred = classifier.predict(X_test)
        # Making the Confusion Matrix
        from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix
```

```
cm = pd.DataFrame(confusion_matrix(y_test, y_pred))
        #Import scikit-learn metrics module for accuracy calculation
        from sklearn import metrics
        # Model Accuracy, how often is the classifier correct?
        print("Accuracy:",metrics.accuracy_score(y_test,y_pred))
        from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
        RMSE_test=sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_true=y_test,y_pred=y_pred))
        print("Root Mean Square Error of test set is:" ,RMSE_test)
        from sklearn import metrics
        from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
        #CVscores=cross_val_score(classifier, X, y, cv=5)
        #print(CVscores)
        fig,ax=plt.subplots()
        predicted=y_pred
        true=y_test
        ax.scatter(predicted,true)
        plt.xlabel('Predicted Overall')
        plt.ylabel('True Overall')
        plt.title('Predicted vs True')
       plt.grid(True)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data
  return self.partial_fit(X, y)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn
  return self.fit(X, **fit_params).transform(X)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:13: DataConversion
  del sys.path[0]
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/utils/validation.py:761: DataCo
  y = column_or_1d(y, warn=True)
Out[5]: SVC(C=1.0, cache_size=200, class_weight=None, coef0=0.0,
          decision_function_shape='ovr', degree=3, gamma='auto_deprecated',
          kernel='linear', max_iter=-1, probability=False, random_state=0,
          shrinking=True, tol=0.001, verbose=False)
Accuracy: 0.22904922961292748
Root Mean Square Error of test set is: 1.996709054915415
Out[5]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x104ea3c88>
Out[5]: Text(0.5, 0, 'Predicted Overall')
Out[5]: Text(0, 0.5, 'True Overall')
Out[5]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Predicted vs True')
```

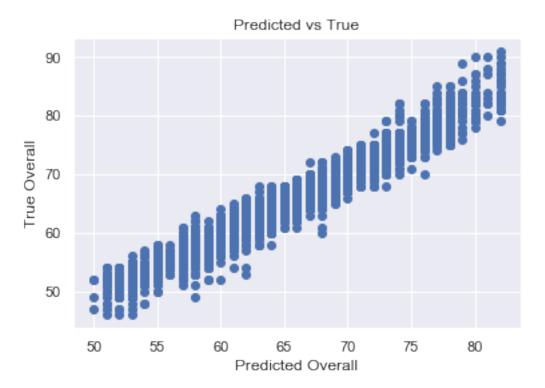


## Classifying Overall Rating: Kernel SVM

```
In [128]: #Model Creation
          y=data[['Overall']].copy()
          X=data[attribute_profile].copy()
          # Splitting the dataset into the Training set and Test set
          from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
          X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size = 0.3, random_stat
          # Feature Scaling
          from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
          sc = StandardScaler()
          X_train = sc.fit_transform(X_train)
          X_test = sc.transform(X_test)
          # Fitting Kernel SVM to the Training set
          from sklearn.svm import SVC
          classifier = SVC(kernel = 'rbf', random_state = 0)
          classifier.fit(X_train, y_train)
          # Predicting the Test set results
          y_pred = classifier.predict(X_test)
          # Making the Confusion Matrix
```

```
from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix
          cm = pd.DataFrame(confusion_matrix(y_test, predictions))
          #Import scikit-learn metrics module for accuracy calculation
          from sklearn import metrics
          # Model Accuracy, how often is the classifier correct?
          print("Accuracy:",metrics.accuracy_score(y_test,y_pred))
          from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
          RMSE_test=sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_true=y_test,y_pred=y_pred))
          print("Root Mean Square Error of test set is:" ,RMSE_test)
          from sklearn import metrics
          from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
          #CVscores=cross_val_score(classifier, X, y, cv=5)
          #print(CVscores)
          fig,ax=plt.subplots()
          predicted=y_pred
          true=y_test
          ax.scatter(predicted,true)
          plt.xlabel('Predicted Overall')
          plt.ylabel('True Overall')
          plt.title('Predicted vs True')
          plt.grid(True)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data
  return self.partial_fit(X, y)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn
  return self.fit(X, **fit_params).transform(X)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:13: DataConversion
  del sys.path[0]
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/utils/validation.py:761: DataCo
 y = column_or_1d(y, warn=True)
Out[128]: SVC(C=1.0, cache_size=200, class_weight=None, coef0=0.0,
            decision_function_shape='ovr', degree=3, gamma='auto_deprecated',
            kernel='rbf', max_iter=-1, probability=False, random_state=0,
            shrinking=True, tol=0.001, verbose=False)
Accuracy: 0.2856069146937242
Root Mean Square Error of test set is: 1.715974857226964
Out[128]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x1c53dac128>
Out[128]: Text(0.5, 0, 'Predicted Overall')
Out[128]: Text(0, 0.5, 'True Overall')
```

Out[128]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Predicted vs True')



## Classifying Overall Rating: Logistic Regression

y\_pred = classifier.predict(X\_test)

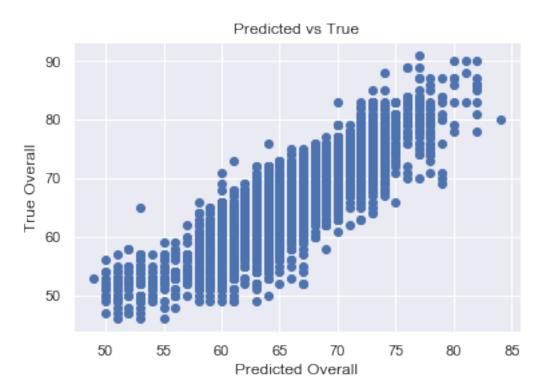
# Making the Confusion Matrix

```
In [129]: #Model Creation
          y=data[['Overall']].copy()
          X=data[attribute_profile].copy()
          # Splitting the dataset into the Training set and Test set
          from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
          X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size = 0.3, random_stat
          # Feature Scaling
          from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
          sc = StandardScaler()
         X_train = sc.fit_transform(X_train)
          X_test = sc.transform(X_test)
          # Fitting Logistic Regression to the Training set
          from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
          classifier = LogisticRegression(random_state = 0)
          classifier.fit(X_train, y_train)
          # Predicting the Test set results
```

```
from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix
          cm = pd.DataFrame(confusion_matrix(y_test, predictions))
          #Import scikit-learn metrics module for accuracy calculation
          from sklearn import metrics
          # Model Accuracy, how often is the classifier correct?
          print("Accuracy:",metrics.accuracy_score(y_test,y_pred))
          from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
          RMSE_test=sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_true=y_test,y_pred=y_pred))
          print("Root Mean Square Error of test set is:" ,RMSE_test)
          fig,ax=plt.subplots()
          predicted=y_pred
          true=y_test
          ax.scatter(predicted,true)
          plt.xlabel('Predicted Overall')
          plt.ylabel('True Overall')
          plt.title('Predicted vs True')
          plt.grid(True)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data
  return self.partial_fit(X, y)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn
  return self.fit(X, **fit_params).transform(X)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:13: DataConversion
  del sys.path[0]
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/linear_model/logistic.py:433: F
  FutureWarning)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/utils/validation.py:761: DataCo
  y = column_or_1d(y, warn=True)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/linear_model/logistic.py:460: F
  "this warning.", FutureWarning)
Out[129]: LogisticRegression(C=1.0, class_weight=None, dual=False, fit_intercept=True,
                    intercept_scaling=1, max_iter=100, multi_class='warn',
                    n_jobs=None, penalty='12', random_state=0, solver='warn',
                    tol=0.0001, verbose=0, warm_start=False)
Accuracy: 0.11649755730928223
Root Mean Square Error of test set is: 3.657550760389424
Out[129]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x1c5b16c208>
Out[129]: Text(0.5, 0, 'Predicted Overall')
```

Out[129]: Text(0, 0.5, 'True Overall')

Out[129]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Predicted vs True')

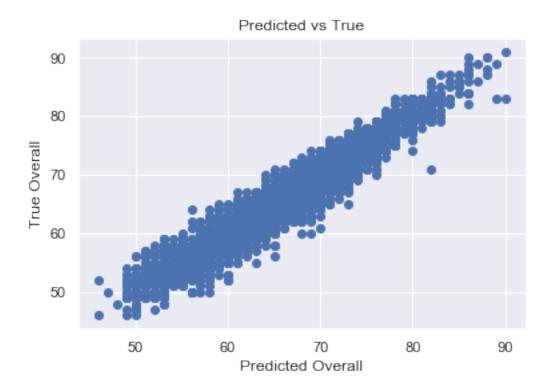


Classifying Overall Rating: Linear Discriminant Analysis Classifier

y\_pred = classifier.predict(X\_test)

```
In [130]: #Model Creation
          y=data[['Overall']].copy()
          X=data[attribute_profile].copy()
          # Splitting the dataset into the Training set and Test set
          from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
          X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size = 0.3, random_stat
          # Feature Scaling
          from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
          sc = StandardScaler()
          X_train = sc.fit_transform(X_train)
          X_test = sc.transform(X_test)
          # Fitting LDA Classification to the Training set
          {\tt from \ sklearn.discriminant\_analysis \ import \ Linear Discriminant Analysis}
          classifier = LinearDiscriminantAnalysis(solver='svd', tol=0.0001)
          classifier.fit(X_train, y_train)
          # Predicting the Test set results
```

```
# Making the Confusion Matrix
          from sklearn.metrics import confusion_matrix
          cm = pd.DataFrame(confusion_matrix(y_test, predictions))
          #Import scikit-learn metrics module for accuracy calculation
          from sklearn import metrics
          # Model Accuracy, how often is the classifier correct?
          print("Accuracy:",metrics.accuracy_score(y_test,y_pred))
          from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error
          RMSE_test=sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_true=y_test,y_pred=y_pred))
          print("Root Mean Square Error of test set is:" ,RMSE_test)
          fig,ax=plt.subplots()
          predicted=y_pred
          true=y_test
          ax.scatter(predicted,true)
          plt.xlabel('Predicted Overall')
          plt.ylabel('True Overall')
          plt.title('Predicted vs True')
          plt.grid(True)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/preprocessing/data.py:625: Data
  return self.partial_fit(X, y)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/base.py:462: DataConversionWarn
  return self.fit(X, **fit_params).transform(X)
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/ipykernel_launcher.py:13: DataConversion
  del sys.path[0]
/Users/lucasnewman/anaconda3/lib/python3.6/site-packages/sklearn/utils/validation.py:761: DataCo
  y = column_or_1d(y, warn=True)
Out[130]: LinearDiscriminantAnalysis(n_components=None, priors=None, shrinkage=None,
                        solver='svd', store_covariance=False, tol=0.0001)
Accuracy: 0.21984216459977451
Root Mean Square Error of test set is: 2.0376482822999695
Out[130]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x1c5b17ca58>
Out[130]: Text(0.5, 0, 'Predicted Overall')
Out[130]: Text(0, 0.5, 'True Overall')
Out[130]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Predicted vs True')
```



Classifying Overall Rating: Clasifier Performance Conclusion

The two best performing models for classifying Oveall rating were Random Forrest Classification and Kernel SVM.

**Clustering Basic Attributes** 

for i in range(1, 11):

```
In [5]: data=pd.read_csv("Full_DF.csv")
    #Model Creation
    #y=data[['Overall']].copy()
    X=data[['Overall', 'Potential', 'age']].copy()

# Splitting the dataset into the Training set and Test set
    #from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
# X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size = 0.3, random_state
# Feature Scaling
# from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler
# sc = StandardScaler()
# X_train = sc.fit_transform(X_train)
# X_test = sc.transform(X_test)
# The Elbow Method for Finding Ideal # of Clusters
from sklearn.cluster import KMeans
wcss = []
```

```
kmeans.fit(X)
            wcss.append(kmeans.inertia_)
        plt.plot(range(1, 11), wcss)
        plt.title('The Elbow Method')
        plt.xlabel('Number of clusters')
        plt.ylabel('WCSS')
        plt.show()
        #The Elbow method above shows that about 3 Clusters is appropriate
        from sklearn.cluster import KMeans
        kmeans = KMeans(n_clusters = 3, init = 'k-means++', random_state = 42)
        y_kmeans = kmeans.fit_predict(X)
        kmeans.labels_
        cluster_centers=kmeans.cluster_centers_
        score=kmeans.score(X)
        y_kmeans
Out[5]: KMeans(algorithm='auto', copy_x=True, init='k-means++', max_iter=300,
            n_clusters=1, n_init=10, n_jobs=None, precompute_distances='auto',
            random_state=42, tol=0.0001, verbose=0)
Out[5]: KMeans(algorithm='auto', copy_x=True, init='k-means++', max_iter=300,
            n_clusters=2, n_init=10, n_jobs=None, precompute_distances='auto',
            random_state=42, tol=0.0001, verbose=0)
Out[5]: KMeans(algorithm='auto', copy_x=True, init='k-means++', max_iter=300,
            n_clusters=3, n_init=10, n_jobs=None, precompute_distances='auto',
            random_state=42, tol=0.0001, verbose=0)
Out[5]: KMeans(algorithm='auto', copy_x=True, init='k-means++', max_iter=300,
            n_clusters=4, n_init=10, n_jobs=None, precompute_distances='auto',
            random_state=42, tol=0.0001, verbose=0)
Out[5]: KMeans(algorithm='auto', copy_x=True, init='k-means++', max_iter=300,
            n_clusters=5, n_init=10, n_jobs=None, precompute_distances='auto',
            random_state=42, tol=0.0001, verbose=0)
Out[5]: KMeans(algorithm='auto', copy_x=True, init='k-means++', max_iter=300,
            n_clusters=6, n_init=10, n_jobs=None, precompute_distances='auto',
            random_state=42, tol=0.0001, verbose=0)
Out[5]: KMeans(algorithm='auto', copy_x=True, init='k-means++', max_iter=300,
            n_clusters=7, n_init=10, n_jobs=None, precompute_distances='auto',
            random_state=42, tol=0.0001, verbose=0)
Out[5]: KMeans(algorithm='auto', copy_x=True, init='k-means++', max_iter=300,
            n_clusters=8, n_init=10, n_jobs=None, precompute_distances='auto',
            random_state=42, tol=0.0001, verbose=0)
```

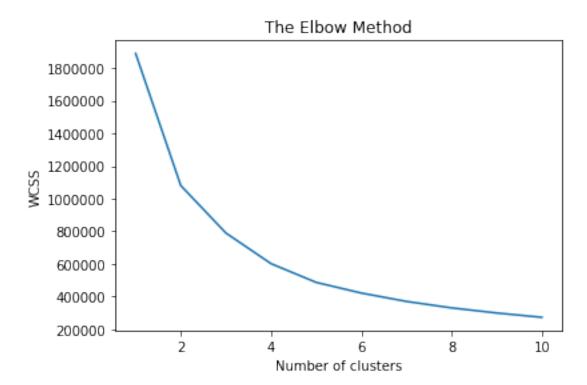
kmeans = KMeans(n\_clusters = i, init = 'k-means++', random\_state = 42)

Out[5]: [<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x1c1e355710>]

Out[5]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'The Elbow Method')

Out[5]: Text(0.5, 0, 'Number of clusters')

Out[5]: Text(0, 0.5, 'WCSS')



Out[5]: array([1, 1, 1, ..., 0, 0, 0], dtype=int32)

Out[5]: array([1, 1, 1, ..., 0, 0, 0], dtype=int32)

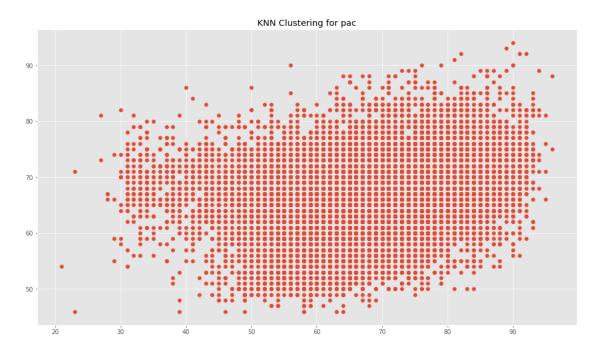
In [6]: #clustering basic features
 import numpy as np
 import pandas as pd
 %matplotlib inline
 from matplotlib import pyplot as plt

```
plt.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = (16, 9)
plt.style.use('ggplot')
from matplotlib.colors import ListedColormap
from sklearn.neighbors import KNeighborsClassifier
from sklearn import datasets, linear_model
from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error, r2_score
from sklearn.cluster import KMeans
from sklearn import metrics
from scipy.spatial.distance import cdist
import tkinter as tk
import statsmodels.api as sm
fifa_data_orig = pd.read_csv('full_fifa18_data.csv')
#Creating the KNN Dataset with Attributes
clustData = fifa_data_orig.copy()
clustDep = clustData['Overall']
knnFeatures = clustData[['pac', 'sho', 'dri', 'pas', 'defend', 'phy', 'reactions']]
print(knnFeatures[0:5])
#K Nearest Neighbor
knnModel = KNeighborsClassifier(n_neighbors = 4)
#Running the model with testing data
knnModel.fit(knnFeatures, clustDep)
#Prediction using the testing data
y_pred = knnModel.predict(knnFeatures)
x_min, x_max = knnFeatures.min() - 1, knnFeatures.max() + 1
y_min, y_max = knnFeatures.min() - 1, knnFeatures.max() + 1
\#xx, yy = np.meshgrid(np.arange(x_min, x_max), np.arange(y_min, y_max))
plt.scatter(knnFeatures['pac'], clustDep)
\#plt.xlim(x_min(), x_max())
#plt.ylim(y_min(), y_max())
#Plotting KNN
plt.title("KNN Clustering for pac")
plt.show()
plt.scatter(knnFeatures['sho'], clustDep)
plt.title("KNN Clustering for sho")
plt.show()
plt.scatter(knnFeatures['dri'], clustDep)
plt.title("KNN Clustering for dri")
plt.show()
plt.scatter(knnFeatures['pas'], clustDep)
plt.title("KNN Clustering for pas")
plt.show()
```

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plt.scatter(knnFeatures['defend'], clustDep)
        plt.title("KNN Clustering for defend")
        plt.show()
        plt.scatter(knnFeatures['phy'], clustDep)
        plt.title("KNN Clustering for phy")
        plt.show()
        plt.scatter(knnFeatures['reactions'], clustDep)
        plt.title("KNN Clustering for reactions")
        plt.show()
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                                     reactions
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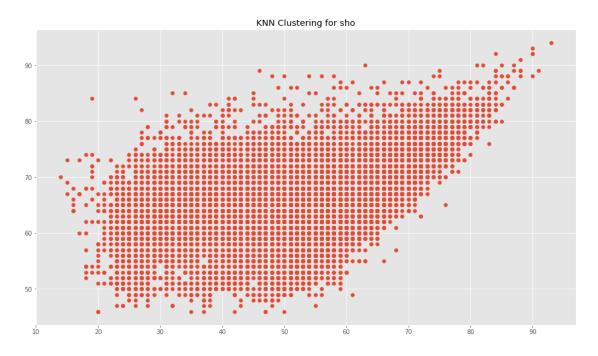
Out[6]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x1c1fb0c198>

Out[6]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'KNN Clustering for pac')



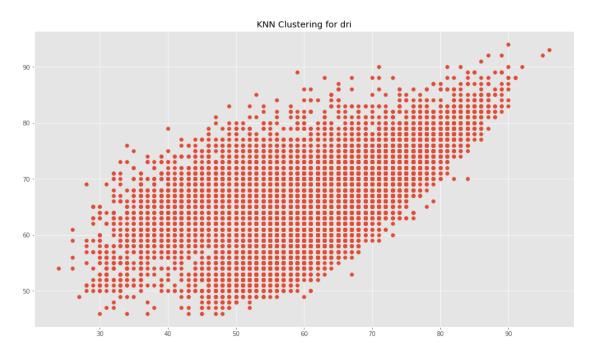
Out[6]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x1c1fe13438>

Out[6]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'KNN Clustering for sho')



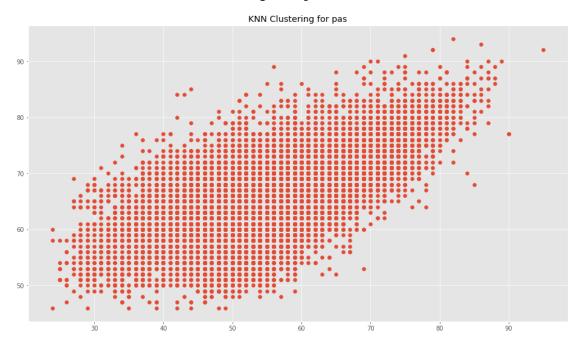
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Out[6]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'KNN Clustering for dri')



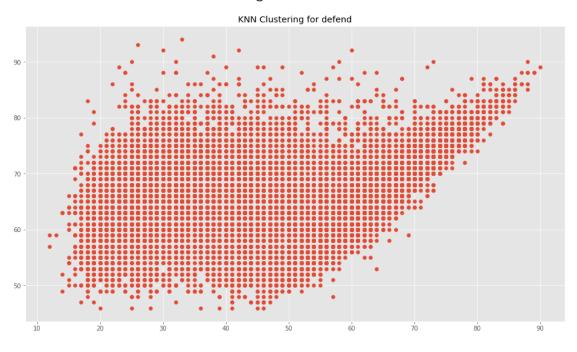
Out[6]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x1c2183c4a8>

Out[6]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'KNN Clustering for pas')



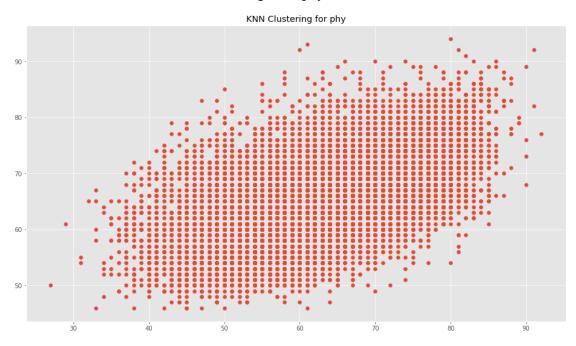
Out[6]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x1c224fcda0>

Out[6]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'KNN Clustering for defend')



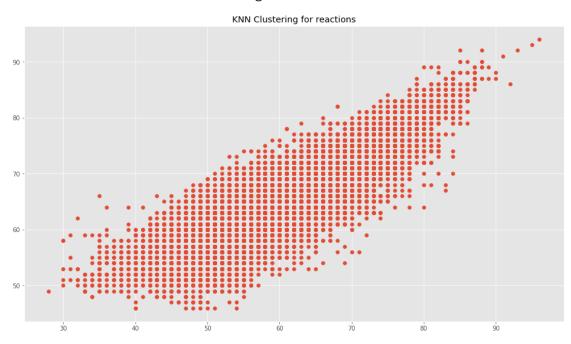
Out[6]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x1c225ad240>

Out[6]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'KNN Clustering for phy')



Out[6]: <matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x1c23888b38>

Out[6]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'KNN Clustering for reactions')



Feature Ranking for Overall & Potential with Gradient Boosting Machines and Hyperparameter Tuning with Grid Search

Overall Rating Feature Ranking

```
In [9]: from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error, accuracy_score
        from sklearn.ensemble import GradientBoostingRegressor
        from sklearn.model_selection import cross_validate
        from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
        from sklearn import metrics
        from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
        from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split
        from sklearn.model_selection import KFold
        from sklearn.model_selection import ShuffleSplit
        from sklearn.metrics import recall_score
        gb_model_overall=['Overall', 'age', 'height_cm', 'weight_kg', 'crossing', 'finishing', 'h
               'short_passing', 'volleys', 'dribbling', 'curve', 'free_kick_accuracy',
               'long_passing', 'ball_control', 'acceleration', 'sprint_speed',
               'agility', 'reactions', 'balance', 'shot_power', 'jumping', 'stamina',
               'strength', 'long_shots', 'aggression', 'interceptions', 'positioning',
               'vision', 'penalties', 'composure', 'marking', 'standing_tackle',
               'sliding_tackle', 'gk_diving', 'gk_handling', 'gk_kicking',
               'gk_positioning', 'gk_reflexes']
        dta=data[gb_model_overall]
        #Algorithm Design
        def modelfit(alg, dtrain, features, performCV=True, printFeatureImportance=True, cv_fold
            #Fit the algorithm on the data
            alg.fit(dtrain[features],dtrain["Overall"] )
            #Predict training set:
            dtrain_predictions = alg.predict(dtrain[features])
            #Perform cross-validation:
            cv_score = cross_val_score(alg, dtrain[features], dtrain["Overall"], cv=cv_folds,
                                                        scoring='neg_mean_squared_error')
            cv_score = np.sqrt(np.abs(cv_score))
            #Print model report:
            print ("\nModel Report")
            print ("RMSE: %.4g" % np.sqrt(metrics.mean_squared_error(dtrain["Overall"], dtrain_
            print ("CV Score: Mean - %.4g | Std - %.4g | Min - %.4g | Max - %.4g" % (np.mean(cv
                                                                                      np.std(cv_s
                                                                                       np.max(cv_
            if printFeatureImportance:
                feat_imp = pd.Series(alg.feature_importances_, features).sort_values(ascending=F
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feat_imp.plot(kind='bar', title='Feature Importances')
    plt.ylabel('Feature Importance Score')

#Gradient Boosting Regressor Fit

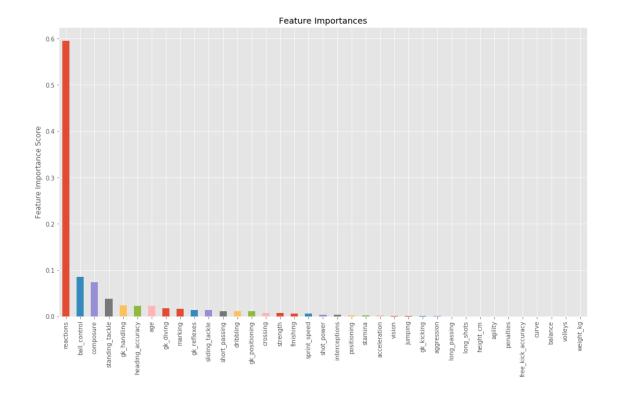
features = [i for i in dta.columns if i != "Overall"]

target = "Overall"

gbm0 = GradientBoostingRegressor(random_state=7)
modelfit(gbm0, dta, features)
```

Model Report RMSE : 1.521

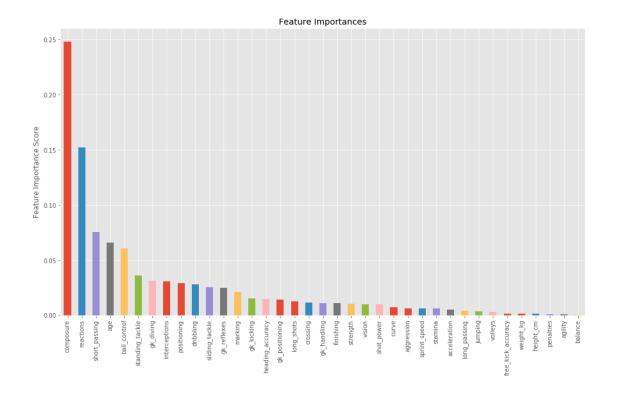
CV Score : Mean - 2.333 | Std - 1.408 | Min - 1.442 | Max - 5.53



```
Out[10]: GridSearchCV(cv=10, error_score='raise-deprecating',
                estimator=GradientBoostingRegressor(alpha=0.9, criterion='friedman_mse', init=No
                      learning_rate=0.1, loss='ls', max_depth=8,
                      max_features='sqrt', max_leaf_nodes=None,
                      min_impurity_decrease=0.0, min_impurity_split=None,
                      min_samples_leaf=50, min_sa...
                                                            subsample=0.8, tol=0.0001, validation
                      warm_start=False),
                fit_params=None, iid=False, n_jobs=4,
                param_grid={'n_estimators': [700, 710, 720, 730, 740]},
                pre_dispatch='2*n_jobs', refit=True, return_train_score='warn',
                scoring='neg_mean_squared_error', verbose=0)
Out[10]: (<bound method BaseSearchCV.score of GridSearchCV(cv=10, error_score='raise-deprecating
                 estimator=GradientBoostingRegressor(alpha=0.9, criterion='friedman_mse', init=N
                       learning_rate=0.1, loss='ls', max_depth=8,
                       max_features='sqrt', max_leaf_nodes=None,
                       min_impurity_decrease=0.0, min_impurity_split=None,
                                                            subsample=0.8, tol=0.0001, validation
                       min_samples_leaf=50, min_sa...
                       warm_start=False),
                 fit_params=None, iid=False, n_jobs=4,
                 param_grid={'n_estimators': [700, 710, 720, 730, 740]},
                 pre_dispatch='2*n_jobs', refit=True, return_train_score='warn',
                 scoring='neg_mean_squared_error', verbose=0)>,
          {'n_estimators': 740},
          -3.4734194554188926)
Model Report
```

Model Report RMSE: 0.6862

CV Score: Mean - 1.591 | Std - 0.971 | Min - 0.9888 | Max - 3.673



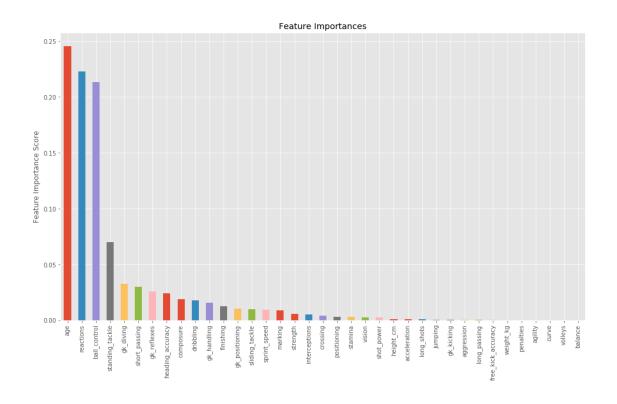
## Potential Rating Feature Ranking

```
In [11]: gb_model_potential=['Potential','age', 'height_cm', 'weight_kg', 'crossing', 'finishing
                'short_passing', 'volleys', 'dribbling', 'curve', 'free_kick_accuracy',
                'long_passing', 'ball_control', 'acceleration', 'sprint_speed',
                'agility', 'reactions', 'balance', 'shot_power', 'jumping', 'stamina',
                'strength', 'long_shots', 'aggression', 'interceptions', 'positioning',
                'vision', 'penalties', 'composure', 'marking', 'standing_tackle',
                'sliding_tackle', 'gk_diving', 'gk_handling', 'gk_kicking',
                'gk_positioning', 'gk_reflexes']
         dta=data[gb_model_potential]
         #Algorithm Design
         def modelfit(alg, dtrain, features, performCV=True, printFeatureImportance=True, cv_fol
             #Fit the algorithm on the data
             alg.fit(dtrain[features],dtrain["Potential"] )
             #Predict training set:
             dtrain_predictions = alg.predict(dtrain[features])
             #Perform cross-validation:
             cv_score = cross_val_score(alg, dtrain[features], dtrain["Potential"], cv=cv_folds
                                                         scoring='neg_mean_squared_error')
             cv_score = np.sqrt(np.abs(cv_score))
```

Model Report

RMSE: 2.241

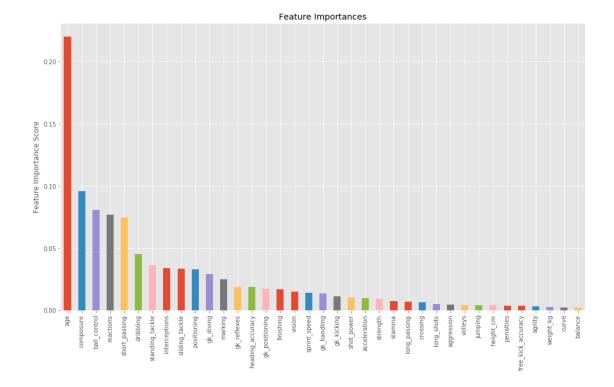
CV Score: Mean - 2.903 | Std - 1.351 | Min - 1.908 | Max - 5.954



```
param_test1 = {'n_estimators':estimators}
         gsearch1 = GridSearchCV(estimator = GradientBoostingRegressor(learning_rate=0.1, min_sa
                                           min_samples_leaf=50,max_depth=8,max_features='sqrt',
                                param_grid = param_test1, scoring='neg_mean_squared_error',n_job
         gsearch1.fit(dta[features],dta["Potential"])
         gsearch1.score, gsearch1.best_params_, gsearch1.best_score_
         modelfit(gsearch1.best_estimator_, dta, features)
Out[12]: GridSearchCV(cv=10, error_score='raise-deprecating',
                estimator=GradientBoostingRegressor(alpha=0.9, criterion='friedman_mse', init=No
                      learning_rate=0.1, loss='ls', max_depth=8,
                      max_features='sqrt', max_leaf_nodes=None,
                      min_impurity_decrease=0.0, min_impurity_split=None,
                      min_samples_leaf=50, min_sa...
                                                           subsample=0.8, tol=0.0001, validation
                      warm_start=False),
                fit_params=None, iid=False, n_jobs=4,
                param_grid={'n_estimators': [700, 710, 720, 730, 740]},
                pre_dispatch='2*n_jobs', refit=True, return_train_score='warn',
                scoring='neg_mean_squared_error', verbose=0)
Out[12]: (<bound method BaseSearchCV.score of GridSearchCV(cv=10, error_score='raise-deprecating
                 estimator=GradientBoostingRegressor(alpha=0.9, criterion='friedman_mse', init=N
                       learning_rate=0.1, loss='ls', max_depth=8,
                       max_features='sqrt', max_leaf_nodes=None,
                       min_impurity_decrease=0.0, min_impurity_split=None,
                       min_samples_leaf=50, min_sa...
                                                            subsample=0.8, tol=0.0001, validation
                       warm_start=False),
                 fit_params=None, iid=False, n_jobs=4,
                 param_grid={'n_estimators': [700, 710, 720, 730, 740]},
                 pre_dispatch='2*n_jobs', refit=True, return_train_score='warn',
                 scoring='neg_mean_squared_error', verbose=0)>,
          {'n_estimators': 740},
          -6.040395972594995)
Model Report
```

CV Score : Mean - 2.289 | Std - 0.8957 | Min - 1.55 | Max - 4.226

RMSE : 1.244



Here we use Gradient boosting regression to come up with a preliminary feature ranking for both overall and potential. We then use GridSearch Hyperparameter tuning to ehnance our model and thus re-rank the features.

# 15 Findings & Implications

Results: Regression on Overall Rating

Most importantly our model gives us an R-squared of about 85%, thus we can proceed with this critical assumption that our features are highly correlated with overall rating. OLS regression with Robust SE was used on all players to see which features were statistically significant at alpha =5%. We used robust regression with Huber's Maximum likelihood estimation and comparison of statistically significant features and confidence intervals with results from OLS. As ridge regression is good in dealing with collinearity, we conduct ridge regression with a weight=1 and observed the change in coefficients and intercept. We conducted lasso regression with various [U+FFFD] [U+FFFD] as a means of feature reduction. Using L1 and L2 regularization helped us in dealing with collinearity. The results of our various regression models were as follows: OLS model R-squared results: 0.845 Ridge with  $\alpha$ =1 R-square results=0.845 Lasso with  $\alpha$ =1 R-square results=0.845 Lasso with  $\alpha$ =8 and reduced features=0.8 All of our regressions showed that the 5 most important features in determining overall rating independent of position in order are: reactions, composure, heading accuracy, short passing, and goal keeper handling. This was determined by the magnitude of the coefficients and z-statistics at alpha=5%. However, it doesn't make too much sense to evaluate these features independent of position, which is why when we create our value models, we must segment players by position.

Results: Positional Value Modeling

This approach to finding a value model for this position is based on the assumption that the main determinant to market value is a players overall rating. The approach to find a model that describes value for this position with a reduced number of features is the following: To gain basic insights we conduct simple OLS with robust SE on Overall for this position group with all attributes in the "attribute\_profile" list. Then to reduce the number of variables that matter we fit a lasso regression model on overall. The reason we fit our lasso on overall and not value is that by doing so on overall we see what few features actually make good players, at a given position, good. We compute pearson correlations on the lasso reduced model. When doing lasso regression, we use cross-validation to find the correct alpha to use. After this we choose all the features with a non-zero coefficient, and regardless if their coefficient is non-zero, we include non-soccer attributes such as Age, weight, and height. Since multicollinearity is likely, we conduct ridge regression on the non-zero coefficients from the lasso model. We use cross validation to also choose the correct alpha for our ridge regression. We then evaluate the reduced model performance, and compare it to the model performance of all the attributes on Value.

We conduct gradient boosting regression with grid search cross validation on our lasso reduced model to rank feature importance for a position with respect to value. We then use interaction terms to combine highly correlated features and further reduce our model. Lastly, we re-estimate our own reduced value model we created and compare it to the original model.

Our goal was to come up with a reduced value model by position that reduces the number of features, eliminates collinearity between the remaining features, ranks the features by importance (with respect to value), and is an improvement in predictive power compared to the original model. We successfully achieved this goal using the procedure above for all positions. For goal keepers it was determined the 3 most important features are goal keeper reflexes, handling and diving, and our reduced model had an r-squared of 0.6. For centerbacks the most important features were reactions, sliding tackle, and interceptions and our reduced model had an r-square of about 0.66. For full backs the most important featues were short passing, reactions and sliding tackles, and our reduced model produced an r-square of about 0.62. For center midfielders, our most important features were ball control, reactions, short passing, and vision, and our reduced model had an r-squared of about 0.58. For wingers, we determined the most important featues as ball control, positioning, finishing, and dribbling. Our reduced model for wingers had an r-squared of about 0.60. For forwards our most important features were finishing, reactions, positioning, and ball control. Our reduced model for forwards produced an r-squared of about 0.58. In conclusion our value models reduced the number of features with lasso regression, ranked the feature importance with gradient boosting regression and fabricated new models with no collinearity issues by creating interaction terms between highly correlated features. Lastly, where the original value models had r-squared values around 0.35-0.40, our models we created had r-squared values between 0.57-0.66, and were thus able to improve the ability to model value by position.

Results: Analysis of Classification Methods

Our purpose in using classification methods was to predict a players position, given an attribute profile, and to treat overall rating as a categorical variable and test several methods to determine which models would be best at predicting overall rating. For predicting player position we used k-NN classification, and had success in predicting position. When scoring the model we obtained a score of 0.502. This model may be of value in the future as AI gets more involved in the world of soccer scouting, an AI system could predict the best positional fit for a young player based on the attributes they have. For predicting overall rating we treated overall as a categorical variable with 100 different categories (0-100). The reason for doing this was to analyze how closely a players rating could be predicted compared to when we treated overall as a numeric variable and conducted regression. In classifying overall rating we used several models: random

forrest, bayesian classification, support vector machines, kernel SVM, logistic regression and LDA classification. When we scored our models we often recived low scores, as a result of including 100 different classes, thus we also included the root mean square so we could compare our classification models to our regression models, as well as a confusion matrix. The purpose of doing this was to identify the two best models for predicting overall rating when we treat that as a category, so that we could expand upon these models in the future. Our two models that performed the best were random forrest and kernel SVM. Random forrest had an accuracy score of 0.439 and RMSE of about 1.5, while kernel SVM had an accuracy score of 0.286 and RMSE 1.716. Our least performant model was bayesian classification with an accuracy score of 0.117 and an RMSE of 5.258.

When we changed overall to a categorical variable this became a non-linear problem. Some reasons random forrest performed so well was random forrest is oowerful and accurate, good performance on many problems, including non linear problems. Some reasons why kernel SVM performed well were, kernel SVM has high performance on nonlinear problems, and is not biased by outliers, or not sensitive to overfitting.

Results: Analysis of Clustering Methods

We utilized k-means clustering to identify clusters of basic attributes. We chose k-mens because it is simple to understand, easily adaptable, works well on small or large datasets, is fast, efficient and performant. However, the one big challenge for k-means is you have to identify how many clusters you need. To do so we used the elbow method and found that the ideal amount of clusters was about 4. The basic attributes that we clustered were pace, shooting, dribbling, passing, defending, physicality, and reactions. The results obtained from doing this is shown below

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In [14]: fifa_data_orig = pd.read_csv('full_fifa18_data.csv')
         #Creating the KNN Dataset with Attributes
         clustData = fifa_data_orig.copy()
         clustDep = clustData['Overall']
         knnFeatures = clustData[['pac', 'sho', 'dri', 'pas', 'defend', 'phy', 'reactions']]
         print(knnFeatures[0:5])
         knnModel = KNeighborsClassifier(n_neighbors = 4)
         #Running the model with testing data
         knnModel.fit(knnFeatures, clustDep)
         y_pred = knnModel.predict(knnFeatures)
         x_min, x_max = knnFeatures.min() - 1, knnFeatures.max() + 1
         y_min, y_max = knnFeatures.min() - 1, knnFeatures.max() + 1
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Out[14]: KNeighborsClassifier(algorithm='auto', leaf_size=30, metric='minkowski',
                    metric_params=None, n_jobs=None, n_neighbors=4, p=2,
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**Implications** 

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Our findings provided can provide a basis for training AI systems on what to look for by position when trying to scout players. The ultimate goal is to move towards a system that can scout players more efficiently and identify young up and coming prospects before curent human scouts could. Our findings also shed financial insight to clubs so that they can understand how to better structure player contracts and proposals they may make for players on the transfer market, given a set of attributes by a player at a position.

## 16 Conclusion

In this analysis we were successfully able to get insights into what makes a good player and what determines their market value. We conducted dimensionality reduction with PCA and tuned lasso regression. Additionally we successfully created enhanced value models by position and conducted regression analysis on value and the elasticity of value. An enhanced and reduced value model that eliminates collinearity with feature engineering, and interaction terms as well as out performs the original model was created. We identified the optimal classification methods to predict a players overall rating. Also we came up with our own algorithm to rank features and used GridSearchCV for hyperparameter tuning. Players were clustered based on basic features. The implications of our results can help train AI systems on what to look for when scouting players, and help clubs financially structure contracts based on player attributes.

**Future Methods** 

Some future methods we intend on exploring are: Conduct further modeling with classification algorithms as opposed to seeing which model just performs best. The primary focus of our future analysis will be regarding the development of a recommender system that recommends players to teams based on team style, budget, and current players on a team. Specifically we will explore alternating least squares as a recommender system. We will seek to use deep learning and reinforcement learning to identify future top prospects faster than scouts can so that a competitive advantage will be achieved.

# 17 Appendix

To see how the data cleaning and prep was done please visit: https://github.com/Lucasnewman5732/Lucas-Newman-5732/blob/master/FIFA\_DATA\_Preprocessing\_Clear For reference to a data file needed please visit: https://www.kaggle.com/lucasnewman5732/buan6340projec

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