

The results below are generated from an R script.

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# Packages
rm(list=ls())
library(data.table)
library(jsonlite)
library(dplyr)
library(progress)
library(sf)
library(ggplot2)
library(paletteer)
library(stringr)
library(lubridate)
library(gridExtra)
source("helper_functions.R")

# Directory
DATA_DIR <- "./data"

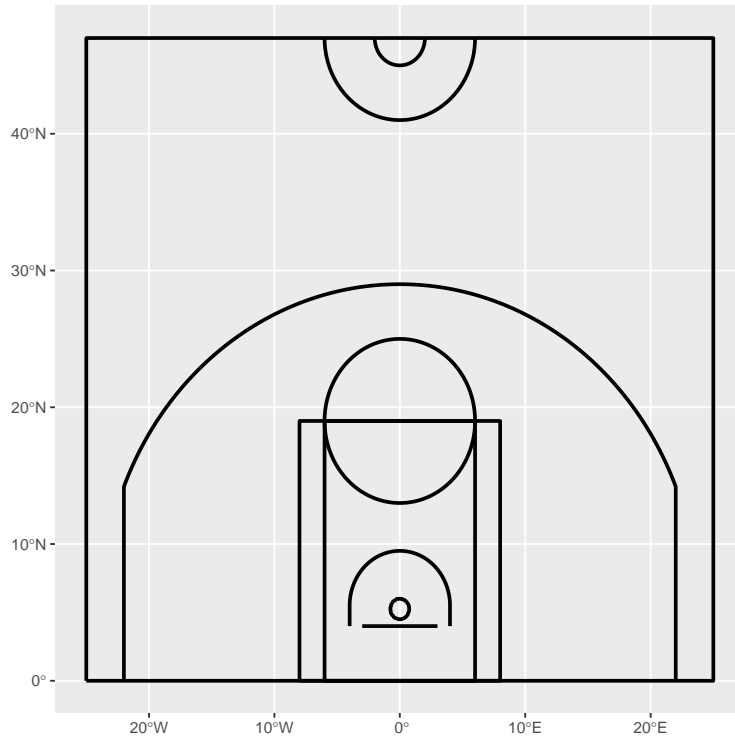
# LOAD DATA
#####

# Load Courts data
full_court <- st_read(file.path(DATA_DIR, "nba-court-lines-05feb2024.gpkg"),
                      layer = "nba-court-lines-05feb2024")

## Reading layer 'nba-court-lines-05feb2024' from data source
##   '/Users/jonnycodd/Documents/MASTERS/Geo spacial/NBA Project/data/nba-court-lines-05feb2024.gpkg'
##   using driver 'GPKG'
## Simple feature collection with 12 features and 1 field
## Geometry type: MULTILINESTRING
## Dimension:      XY
## Bounding box:   xmin: -25 ymin: 0 xmax: 25 ymax: 94
## Geodetic CRS:   WGS 84

half_court <- full_court[-1, ]

# Create the basketball court plot
court_plot <- ggplot() +
  geom_sf(data = half_court, color = "black", fill = "transparent",
          linewidth= 1) # Increase line thickness here
court_plot
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# Load shots data
shots_data <- data.table()
for (year in 2004:2005) {

  file_name <- sprintf("NBA_%d-Shots.csv", year)
  year_data <- fread(file.path(DATA_DIR, file_name))
  shots_data <- rbindlist(list(shots_data, year_data), use.names = TRUE, fill = TRUE)

}

# Make SF point object
shots_data_sf <- st_as_sf(shots_data, coords = c("LOC_X", "LOC_Y"), crs = st_crs(half_court))

## Identify shots in the restricted area
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# The restricted area is currently just a semi circle, so we need to connect the
# end points
r_a <- half_court %>%
  filter(Feature=="Restricted area")

# Create back line
back_line <- st_sfc(st_linestring(matrix(c(-4, 4, 4, 4), ncol = 2, byrow = TRUE)), crs = st_crs(r_a))
r_a <- st_union(r_a, back_line) # Combine them

## Warning: attribute variables are assumed to be spatially constant throughout all geometries

# Create polygon from coordinates
r_a_coords <- st_coordinates(r_a) # Extract coordinates
r_a_coords <- rbind(r_a_coords, r_a_coords[1,]) # Make first and last the same
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r_a_polygon <- st_polygon(list(r_a_coords)) # Make polygon
r_a_polygon <- st_zm(r_a_polygon) # Only keep x and y coords
r_a_polygon <- st_make_valid(r_a_polygon)
r_a_polygon_sf <- st_sf(geometry = st_sfc(r_a_polygon, crs = st_crs(r_a))) # make sf object

# Identify shots inside restricted area using st_within
inside_r_a <- st_within(shots_data_sf, r_a_polygon_sf)

## Warning in st_is_longlat(x): bounding box has potentially an invalid value range for longlat
data
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data

# Create_indicator
shots_data_sf$inside_r_a <- as.integer(lengths(inside_r_a) > 0)
shots_data$inside_r_a <- as.integer(lengths(inside_r_a) > 0)

## Identify shots just behind the 3 point line
#####

# HEAT MAP: per players
#####
# Define a function to create the plot for a player
create_player_plot <- function(shots_data, year, player_name) {

  data <- shots_data %>%
    filter(SEASON_1 == year) %>%
    filter(SHOT_MADE == TRUE) %>%
    filter(str_detect(PPLAYER_NAME, player_name))

  title <- paste0(player_name, ' - ', year)

  ggplot() +
    geom_sf(data = half_court, color = "black", fill = "transparent", linewidth = 1) +
    geom_point(data = data, aes(x = LOC_X, y = LOC_Y),
              size = 1, alpha = 0.1) +
    geom_density_2d_filled(data, mapping = aes(x = LOC_X, y = LOC_Y, fill = ..level..),
                          contour_var = "ndensity", breaks = seq(0.03, 1.0, length.out = 80), alpha = .
    scale_x_continuous(limits = c(-27.5, 27.5)) +
    scale_y_continuous(limits = c(0, 45)) +
    labs(title = title) +
    theme(legend.position = "none",
          plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5, size = 20),
          axis.title.x = element_blank(),
          axis.title.y = element_blank(),
          axis.text.x = element_blank(),
          axis.text.y = element_blank(),
          axis.ticks = element_blank(),
          panel.grid.major = element_blank(),
          panel.grid.minor = element_blank(),
          panel.background = element_blank())

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}

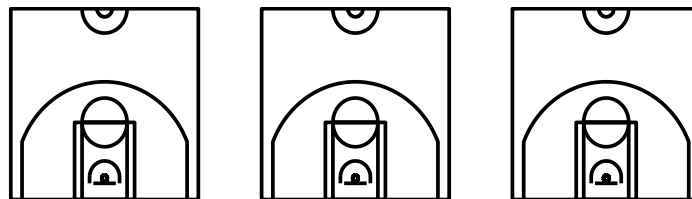
# Create plots for each player
player1 <- create_player_plot(shots_data, 2013, "LeBron James")
player2 <- create_player_plot(shots_data, 2016, "Stephen Curry")
player3 <- create_player_plot(shots_data, 2019, "Giannis Antetokounmpo")

# Arrange plots side by side
side_by_side_plots <- grid.arrange(player1, player2, player3, ncol = 3)

## Warning: The dot-dot notation ('..level..') was deprecated in ggplot2 3.4.0.
## i Please use 'after_stat(level)' instead.
## This warning is displayed once every 8 hours.
## Call 'lifecycle::last_lifecycle_warnings()' to see where this warning was generated.

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LeBron James – Stephen Curry – Giannis Antetokounmpo



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print(side_by_side_plots)

## TableGrob (1 x 3) "arrange": 3 grobs
##   z      cells   name      grob
## 1 1 (1-1,1-1) arrange gtable[layout]
## 2 2 (1-1,2-2) arrange gtable[layout]
## 3 3 (1-1,3-3) arrange gtable[layout]

# HEAT MAP: overall
#####
outside_before <- shots_data %>%
  filter(SEASON_1 == 2004) %>%
  filter(BASIC_ZONE != "Restricted Area")

outside_now <- shots_data %>%

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filter(SEASON_1 == 2019) %>%
filter(BASIC_ZONE != "Restricted Area")

before <- ggplot() +
  geom_sf(data = half_court, color = "black", fill = "transparent", linewidth = 1) +
  geom_density_2d_filled(outside_before, mapping = aes(x = LOC_X, y = LOC_Y, fill = ..level..),
                        contour_var = "ndensity", breaks = seq(0.1, 1.0, length.out = 50), alpha = .8)
  scale_x_continuous(limits = c(-27.5, 27.5)) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits = c(0, 45)) +
  labs(title = 'Shots attempts 2004') +
  theme(legend.position = "none",
        plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5, size = 20),
        axis.title.x = element_blank(),
        axis.title.y = element_blank(),
        axis.text.x = element_blank(),
        axis.text.y = element_blank(),
        axis.ticks = element_blank(),
        panel.grid.major = element_blank(),
        panel.grid.minor = element_blank(),
        panel.background = element_blank())

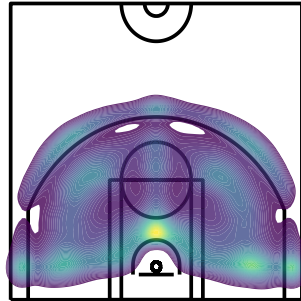
now <- ggplot() +
  geom_sf(data = half_court, color = "black", fill = "transparent", linewidth = 1) +
  geom_density_2d_filled(outside_now, mapping = aes(x = LOC_X, y = LOC_Y, fill = ..level..),
                        contour_var = "ndensity", breaks = seq(0.1, 1.0, length.out = 50), alpha = .8)
  scale_x_continuous(limits = c(-27.5, 27.5)) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits = c(0, 45)) +
  labs(title = 'Shots attempts 2019') +
  theme(legend.position = "none",
        plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5, size = 20),
        axis.title.x = element_blank(),
        axis.title.y = element_blank(),
        axis.text.x = element_blank(),
        axis.text.y = element_blank(),
        axis.ticks = element_blank(),
        panel.grid.major = element_blank(),
        panel.grid.minor = element_blank(),
        panel.background = element_blank())

side_by_side_plots <- grid.arrange(before, now, ncol = 2)

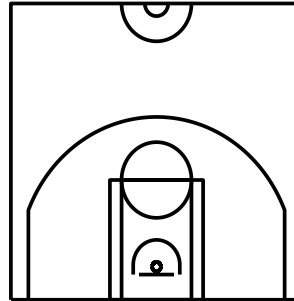
## Warning: Removed 445 rows containing non-finite outside the scale range
## ('stat_density2d_filled()').

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Shots attempts 2004



Shots attempts 2019



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print(side_by_side_plots)

## TableGrob (1 x 2) "arrange": 2 grobs
##   z      cells   name      grob
## 1 1 (1-1,1-1) arrange gtable[layout]
## 2 2 (1-1,2-2) arrange gtable[layout]

# ACCEPTANCE RATE: Curry
#####
shots_curry <- shots_data %>%
  filter(SEASON_1 == 2016) %>%
  filter(str_detect(PAYER_NAME, "Stephen Curry")) %>%
  select(PAYER_NAME, GAME_DATE, EVENT_TYPE, SHOT_MADE, SHOT_TYPE, LOC_X, LOC_Y)

shots_curry

## Empty data.table (0 rows and 7 cols): PAYER_NAME,GAME_DATE,EVENT_TYPE,SHOT_MADE,SHOT_TYPE,LOC_X...

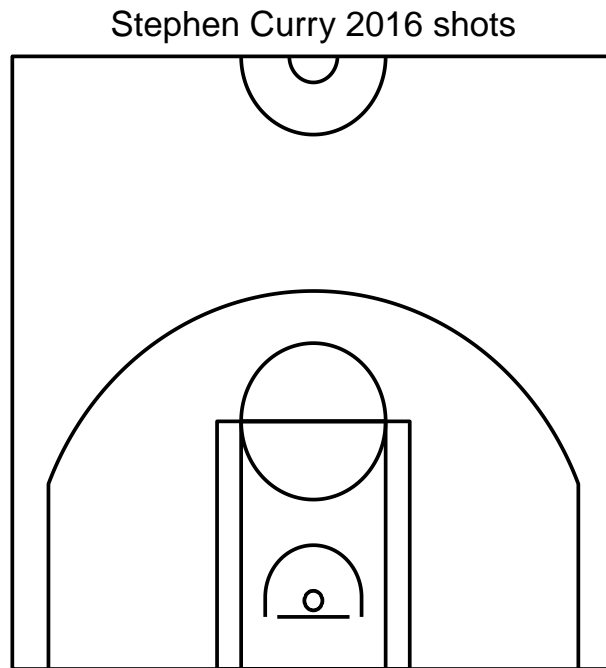
# Create scatter plot
scatter_plot <- ggplot() +
  geom_sf(data = half_court, color = "black", fill = "transparent", linewidth = 1) +
  geom_point(data = shots_curry, aes(x = LOC_X, y = LOC_Y, color = SHOT_MADE), alpha = 0.3) + # Add points
  labs(title = "Shots Scatterplot", x = "LOC_X", y = "LOC_Y") + # Add title and axis labels
  theme_minimal() +
  scale_x_continuous(limits = c(-27.5, 27.5)) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits = c(0, 45)) +
  labs(title = 'Stephen Curry 2016 shots') +
  theme(legend.position = "bottom",
        plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5, size = 20),
        axis.title.x = element_blank(),
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axis.title.y = element_blank(),
axis.text.x = element_blank(),
axis.text.y = element_blank(),
axis.ticks = element_blank(),
panel.grid.major = element_blank(),
panel.grid.minor = element_blank(),
panel.background = element_blank()

# Print the scatter plot
print(scatter_plot)

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shots_data$LOC_X_simple <- as.integer(shots_data$LOC_X/4)*4
shots_data$LOC_Y_simple <- as.integer(shots_data$LOC_Y/4)*4

shot_summary <- shots_data %>%
  group_by(LOC_X_simple, LOC_Y_simple) %>%
  summarize(total_shots = n(), made_shots = sum(SHOT_MADE))

## 'summarise()' has grouped output by 'LOC_X_simple'. You can override using the '.groups'
## argument.

# Calculate the acceptance rate
shot_summary$acceptance_rate <- shot_summary$made_shots / shot_summary$total_shots * 100

# Create the heatmap plot
heatmap_plot <- ggplot() +
  geom_sf(data = half_court, color = "grey", fill = "transparent", linewidth = 1, alpha=0.8) + # Plot
  geom_raster(data = shot_summary, aes(x = LOC_X_simple, y = LOC_Y_simple, fill = acceptance_rate), alph
  scale_fill_gradient(low = "red", high = "darkblue", name = "Acceptance Rate") + # Customize fill col
  scale_x_continuous(limits = c(-27.5, 27.5)) + # Set x-axis limits

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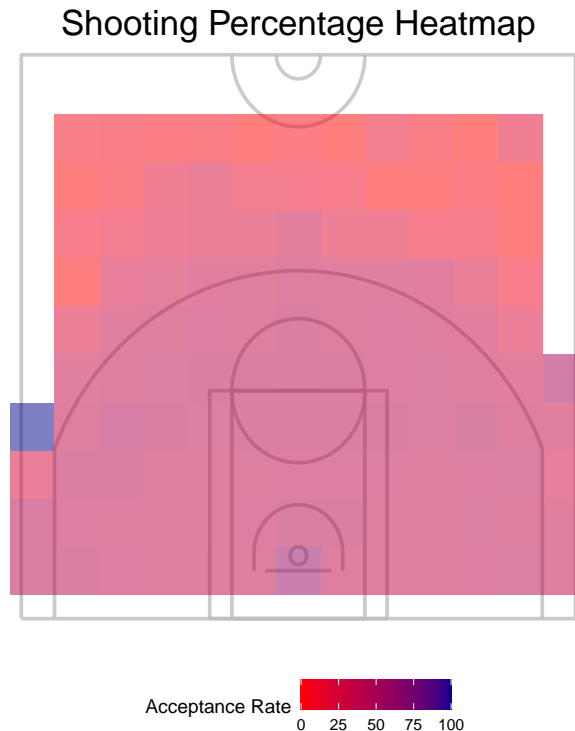
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scale_y_continuous(limits = c(0, 45)) + # Set y-axis limits
labs(title = "Shooting Percentage Heatmap") + # Add title
theme_minimal() +
theme(legend.position = "bottom",
      plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5, size = 20),
      axis.title.x = element_blank(),
      axis.title.y = element_blank(),
      axis.text.x = element_blank(),
      axis.text.y = element_blank(),
      axis.ticks = element_blank(),
      panel.grid.major = element_blank(),
      panel.grid.minor = element_blank(),
      panel.background = element_blank())

# Print the heatmap plot
print(heatmap_plot)

## Warning: Removed 132 rows containing missing values or values outside the scale range
## ('geom_raster()').

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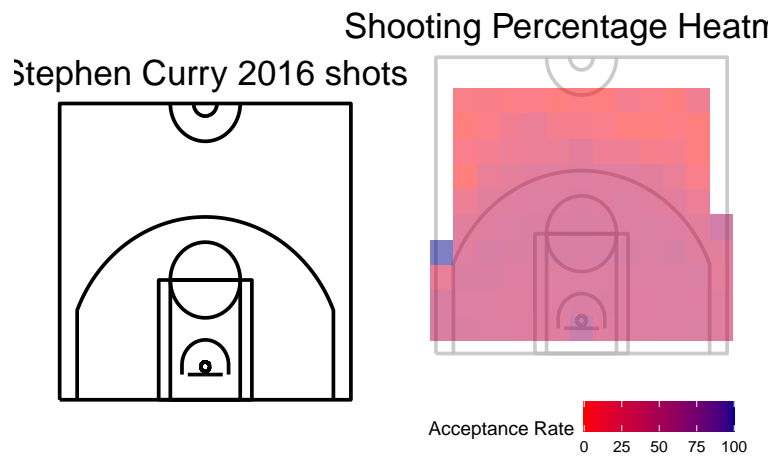


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side_by_side_plots <- grid.arrange(scatter_plot, heatmap_plot, ncol = 2)

## Warning: Removed 132 rows containing missing values or values outside the scale range
## ('geom_raster()').

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The R session information (including the OS info, R version and all packages used):

```
sessionInfo()

## R version 4.3.1 (2023-06-16)
## Platform: aarch64-apple-darwin20 (64-bit)
## Running under: macOS Sonoma 14.0
##
## Matrix products: default
## BLAS:   /System/Library/Frameworks/Accelerate.framework/Versions/A/Frameworks/vecLib.framework/Versions/A/
## LAPACK: /Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Versions/4.3-arm64/Resources/lib/libRlapack.dylib; LAPACK ve
##
## locale:
## [1] en_US.UTF-8/en_US.UTF-8/en_US.UTF-8/C/en_US.UTF-8/en_US.UTF-8
##
## time zone: Europe/Rome
## tzcode source: internal
##
## attached base packages:
## [1] stats      graphics  grDevices  utils      datasets  methods   base
##
## other attached packages:
## [1] gridExtra_2.3    lubridate_1.9.3  stringr_1.5.1    paletteer_1.6.0
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## [5] ggplot2_3.5.0      sf_1.0-15           progress_1.2.3      dplyr_1.1.4
## [9] jsonlite_1.8.8     data.table_1.15.2
##
## loaded via a namespace (and not attached):
## [1] s2_1.1.6            utf8_1.2.4          generics_0.1.3      class_7.3-22
## [5] KernSmooth_2.23-22 stringi_1.8.3        hms_1.1.3           magrittr_2.0.3
## [9] evaluate_0.23       grid_4.3.1          timechange_0.3.0    e1071_1.7-14
## [13] DBI_1.2.2           rematch2_2.1.2      fansi_1.0.6         viridisLite_0.4.2
## [17] scales_1.3.0        isoband_0.2.7        cli_3.6.2           rlang_1.1.3
## [21] crayon_1.5.2        units_0.8-5          munsell_0.5.0       withr_3.0.0
## [25] tools_4.3.1         colorspace_2.1-0     vctrs_0.6.5         R6_2.5.1
## [29] proxy_0.4-27        lifecycle_1.0.4      classInt_0.4-10     MASS_7.3-60.0.1
## [33] pkgconfig_2.0.3     pillar_1.9.0         gtable_0.3.4        glue_1.7.0
## [37] Rcpp_1.0.12         xfun_0.42            tibble_3.2.1        tidysselect_1.2.1
## [41] highr_0.10          rstudioapi_0.15.0    knitr_1.45          farver_2.1.1
## [45] labeling_0.4.3      wk_0.9.1             compiler_4.3.1      prettyunits_1.2.0

Sys.time()

## [1] "2024-03-27 12:16:49 CET"
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