BA-S19-Project

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Now I would like to clean up the data. Several steps should be taken [U+FF1A]

- seperate the dataset into parts to extract metrics to evaluate a certain player
- parse the data into appropriate datatypes
- eliminate all NaN and NAs in the dataset

In [3]: dataset.head()

Out	:[3]:	Unnamed: 0	ID	Name	e Age \		
	0	0	158023	L. Messi	. 31		
	1	1	20801	Cristiano Ronaldo	33		
	2	2	190871	Neymar Jr	26		
	3	3	193080	De Gea	u 27		
	4	4	192985	K. De Bruyne	e 27		
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	0	https://cdr	n.sofifa.	org/players/4/19/1	.58023.pn	g Argentina	a
	1	1 https://cdn.sofifa.org/players/4/19/20801.png Portugal					
	2	2 https://cdn.sofifa.org/players/4/19/190871.png Brazi				L	
	3	3 https://cdn.sofifa.org/players/4/19/193080.png Spain				ı	
	4	4 https://cdn.sofifa.org/players/4/19/192985.png			g Belgium	n	
				Flag	Overall	Potential '	\
	0	https://cdr	n.sofifa.	org/flags/52.png	94	94	
	1	https://cdr	n.sofifa.	org/flags/38.png	94	94	
	2	https://cdr	n.sofifa.	org/flags/54.png	92	93	
	3	https://cdr	n.sofifa.	org/flags/45.png	91	93	
	4	https://cd	ln.sofifa	.org/flags/7.png	91	92	

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Club
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                  FC Barcelona
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        2
          Paris Saint-Germain
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             Manchester United
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               Manchester City
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        1
                 €127.1M
        2
                 €228.1M
        3
                 €138.6M
        4
                 €196.4M
        [5 rows x 89 columns]
In [4]: dataset.shape
Out[4]: (18207, 89)
In [5]: dataset.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
RangeIndex: 18207 entries, 0 to 18206
Data columns (total 89 columns):
Unnamed: 0
                             18207 non-null int64
                             18207 non-null int64
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Nationality
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Overall
Potential
                             18207 non-null int64
                             17966 non-null object
                             18207 non-null object
Club Logo
                             18207 non-null object
                             18207 non-null object
                             18207 non-null int64
Special
Preferred Foot
                             18159 non-null object
International Reputation
                             18159 non-null float64
Weak Foot
                             18159 non-null float64
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ID

Name

Age

Photo

Flag

Club

Value

Wage

Skill Moves	18159 non-null float64
Work Rate	18159 non-null object
Body Type	18159 non-null object
Real Face	18159 non-null object
Position	18147 non-null object
Jersey Number	18147 non-null float64
Joined	16654 non-null object
Loaned From	1264 non-null object
Contract Valid Until	17918 non-null object
Height	18159 non-null object
Weight	18159 non-null object
LS	16122 non-null object
ST	16122 non-null object
RS	16122 non-null object
LW	16122 non-null object
LF	16122 non-null object
CF	16122 non-null object
RF	16122 non-null object
RW	16122 non-null object
LAM	16122 non-null object
CAM	16122 non-null object
RAM	16122 non-null object
LM	16122 non-null object
LCM	16122 non-null object
CM	16122 non-null object
RCM	16122 non-null object
RM	16122 non-null object
LWB	16122 non-null object
LDM	16122 non-null object
CDM	16122 non-null object
RDM	16122 non-null object
RWB	16122 non-null object
LB	16122 non-null object
LCB	16122 non-null object
СВ	16122 non-null object
RCB	16122 non-null object
RB	16122 non-null object
Crossing	18159 non-null float64
Finishing	18159 non-null float64
HeadingAccuracy	18159 non-null float64
ShortPassing	18159 non-null float64
Volleys	18159 non-null float64
Dribbling	18159 non-null float64
Curve	18159 non-null float64
FKAccuracy	18159 non-null float64
LongPassing	18159 non-null float64
BallControl	18159 non-null float64
Acceleration	18159 non-null float64
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SprintSpeed
                            18159 non-null float64
Agility
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Reactions
                            18159 non-null float64
Balance
                            18159 non-null float64
                            18159 non-null float64
ShotPower
                            18159 non-null float64
Jumping
Stamina
                            18159 non-null float64
Strength
                            18159 non-null float64
                            18159 non-null float64
LongShots
                            18159 non-null float64
Aggression
                            18159 non-null float64
Interceptions
Positioning
                            18159 non-null float64
                            18159 non-null float64
Vision
                            18159 non-null float64
Penalties
                            18159 non-null float64
Composure
                            18159 non-null float64
Marking
StandingTackle
                            18159 non-null float64
SlidingTackle
                            18159 non-null float64
GKDiving
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GKHandling
                            18159 non-null float64
                            18159 non-null float64
GKKicking
                            18159 non-null float64
GKPositioning
GKReflexes
                            18159 non-null float64
Release Clause
                            16643 non-null object
dtypes: float64(38), int64(6), object(45)
memory usage: 12.4+ MB
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Many of these data are not what we want: we want to keep the player information and their ablity metrics, and put these in different dataframes.

According to the information shown above, a solution is to first eliminate the data columns with abnormal numbers of entries, and eliminate NAs afterwards.

The first step is to eliminate the scores that identify what the player would be like if he had changed to different positions.

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for i in lst:
                df = dataDrop(df,i)
            return df
In [8]: eliminate = ['LS','ST','RS','LW','LF','CF','RF','RW','LAM','CAM','RAM','LM','LCM','CM','
                      'CB', 'RCB', 'RB', 'Special', 'International Reputation', 'Work Rate', 'Body Type
                      'Contract Valid Until', 'Release Clause', 'Wage', 'Flag', 'Nationality', 'Club I
        dataset_new = eliminateColumns(dataset,eliminate).dropna()
In [9]: ## Clean up the weight column
        dataset_new['WeightKG'] = dataset_new['Weight'].str.rstrip(to_strip='lbs').astype('float
        dataset_new = dataDrop(dataset_new,'Weight')
In [10]: ## Clean up the Height column
         temp = dataset_new['Height'].str.split('\'',expand=True).astype('float64')
         dataset_new['HeightCM'] = temp[0] * 30.48 + temp[1] * 2.54
         dataset_new = dataDrop(dataset_new, 'Height')
In [11]: ## Clean up the value
         temp = dataset_new['Value'].str.lstrip(to_strip='€')
         temp_index = dataset_new['Unnamed: 0']
         ## Use RegEx to convert to numerical values
         import re
         \#\mathit{Check}\ if\ the\ \mathit{string}\ \mathit{ends}\ \mathit{with}\ \mathit{M}\ \mathit{or}\ \mathit{K}
         for i in temp_index:
             x = re.search("M$", temp[i])
             y = re.search("K$",temp[i])
             if (x):
                  temp[i] = float(temp[i].rstrip('M')) * 1000000
             elif (y):
                  temp[i] = float(temp[i].rstrip('K')) * 1000
             else:
                  temp[i] = float(temp[i])
         dataset_new['Value'] = temp
In [12]: ## Eliminate outliers
         outlier = np.where(dataset_new['Value'] <= 1000)</pre>
         dataset_new.drop(dataset_new.index[outlier],inplace = True)
In [13]: ## Seperate the dataset
         dataset_GK = dataset_new.copy()
         dataset_General = dataset_new.copy()
         temp = np.where(dataset_GK['Position'] != 'GK')
         dataset_GK.drop(dataset_GK.index[temp],inplace = True)
         temp = np.where(dataset_General['Position'] == 'GK')
         dataset_General.drop(dataset_General.index[temp],inplace = True)
In [14]: dataset_GK.info()
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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'> Int64Index: 1989 entries, 3 to 18198 Data columns (total 50 columns): Unnamed: 0 1989 non-null int64 ID 1989 non-null int64 Name 1989 non-null object Age 1989 non-null int64 Photo 1989 non-null object Overall 1989 non-null int64 1989 non-null int64 Potential Club 1989 non-null object Value 1989 non-null object Preferred Foot 1989 non-null object 1989 non-null float64 Weak Foot 1989 non-null float64 Skill Moves 1989 non-null object Position Jersey Number 1989 non-null float64 1989 non-null float64 Crossing 1989 non-null float64 Finishing HeadingAccuracy 1989 non-null float64 ShortPassing 1989 non-null float64 1989 non-null float64 Volleys Dribbling 1989 non-null float64 Curve 1989 non-null float64 FKAccuracy 1989 non-null float64 1989 non-null float64 LongPassing BallControl 1989 non-null float64 Acceleration 1989 non-null float64 SprintSpeed 1989 non-null float64 Agility 1989 non-null float64 Reactions 1989 non-null float64 Balance 1989 non-null float64 ShotPower 1989 non-null float64 1989 non-null float64 Jumping 1989 non-null float64 Stamina Strength 1989 non-null float64 1989 non-null float64 LongShots Aggression 1989 non-null float64 Interceptions 1989 non-null float64 1989 non-null float64 Positioning Vision 1989 non-null float64 1989 non-null float64 Penalties Composure 1989 non-null float64 1989 non-null float64 Marking StandingTackle1989 non-null float64 SlidingTackle 1989 non-null float64 GKDiving 1989 non-null float64

GKHandling

1989 non-null float64

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GKKicking 1989 non-null float64
GKPositioning 1989 non-null float64
GKReflexes 1989 non-null float64
WeightKG 1989 non-null float64
HeightCM 1989 non-null float64
dtypes: float64(39), int64(5), object(6)
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memory usage: 792.5+ KB

In [15]: dataset_General.info()

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 15918 entries, 0 to 18206
Data columns (total 50 columns):

Unnamed: 0 15918 non-null int64 ID 15918 non-null int64 Name 15918 non-null object Age 15918 non-null int64 Photo 15918 non-null object Overall 15918 non-null int64 15918 non-null int64 Potential Club 15918 non-null object Value 15918 non-null object Preferred Foot 15918 non-null object Weak Foot 15918 non-null float64 Skill Moves 15918 non-null float64 Position 15918 non-null object Jersey Number 15918 non-null float64 Crossing 15918 non-null float64 15918 non-null float64 Finishing HeadingAccuracy 15918 non-null float64 ShortPassing 15918 non-null float64 Volleys 15918 non-null float64 Dribbling 15918 non-null float64 15918 non-null float64 Curve 15918 non-null float64 FKAccuracy 15918 non-null float64 LongPassing BallControl 15918 non-null float64 15918 non-null float64 Acceleration SprintSpeed 15918 non-null float64 Agility 15918 non-null float64 Reactions 15918 non-null float64 Balance 15918 non-null float64 ShotPower 15918 non-null float64 15918 non-null float64 Jumping Stamina 15918 non-null float64 Strength 15918 non-null float64 LongShots 15918 non-null float64

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Aggression
                   15918 non-null float64
Interceptions
                   15918 non-null float64
Positioning
                   15918 non-null float64
Vision
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Penalties
Composure
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Marking
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StandingTackle
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GKDiving
                   15918 non-null float64
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GKHandling
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GKKicking
GKPositioning
                   15918 non-null float64
                   15918 non-null float64
GKReflexes
                   15918 non-null float64
WeightKG
                   15918 non-null float64
HeightCM
dtypes: float64(39), int64(5), object(6)
memory usage: 6.2+ MB
In [16]: dataset_General.columns
Out[16]: Index(['Unnamed: 0', 'ID', 'Name', 'Age', 'Photo', 'Overall', 'Potential',
                'Club', 'Value', 'Preferred Foot', 'Weak Foot', 'Skill Moves',
                'Position', 'Jersey Number', 'Crossing', 'Finishing', 'HeadingAccuracy',
                'ShortPassing', 'Volleys', 'Dribbling', 'Curve', 'FKAccuracy',
                'LongPassing', 'BallControl', 'Acceleration', 'SprintSpeed', 'Agility',
                'Reactions', 'Balance', 'ShotPower', 'Jumping', 'Stamina', 'Strength',
                'LongShots', 'Aggression', 'Interceptions', 'Positioning', 'Vision',
                'Penalties', 'Composure', 'Marking', 'StandingTackle', 'SlidingTackle',
                'GKDiving', 'GKHandling', 'GKKicking', 'GKPositioning', 'GKReflexes',
                'WeightKG', 'HeightCM'],
               dtype='object')
In [17]: dataset_new.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 17907 entries, 0 to 18206
Data columns (total 50 columns):
Unnamed: 0
                   17907 non-null int64
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                   17907 non-null int64
Name
                   17907 non-null object
                   17907 non-null int64
Age
Photo
                   17907 non-null object
                   17907 non-null int64
Overall
Potential
                   17907 non-null int64
Club
                   17907 non-null object
Value
                   17907 non-null object
Preferred Foot
                   17907 non-null object
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Weak Foot
                   17907 non-null float64
Skill Moves
                   17907 non-null float64
                   17907 non-null object
Position
Jersey Number
                   17907 non-null float64
Crossing
                   17907 non-null float64
                   17907 non-null float64
Finishing
HeadingAccuracy
                   17907 non-null float64
ShortPassing
                   17907 non-null float64
                   17907 non-null float64
Volleys
Dribbling
                   17907 non-null float64
                   17907 non-null float64
Curve
                   17907 non-null float64
FKAccuracy
                   17907 non-null float64
LongPassing
                   17907 non-null float64
BallControl
Acceleration
                   17907 non-null float64
                   17907 non-null float64
SprintSpeed
Agility
                   17907 non-null float64
Reactions
                   17907 non-null float64
Balance
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ShotPower
                   17907 non-null float64
                   17907 non-null float64
Jumping
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Stamina
Strength
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LongShots
Aggression
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Positioning
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Penalties
Composure
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Marking
StandingTackle
                   17907 non-null float64
SlidingTackle
                   17907 non-null float64
GKDiving
                   17907 non-null float64
                   17907 non-null float64
GKHandling
GKKicking
                   17907 non-null float64
GKPositioning
                   17907 non-null float64
GKReflexes
                   17907 non-null float64
WeightKG
                   17907 non-null float64
HeightCM
                   17907 non-null float64
dtypes: float64(39), int64(5), object(6)
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memory usage: 7.0+ MB

This is a truncated dataset with 17907 observations.

Then we need to further clean-up the dataset: mainly by extracting the numerical values, and visualize the performance of a player.

To put the performances into less dimensions, we use the following methods:

Because they are already on a scale from 1 to 100, there is no need to standardaize them.

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In [17]: def attacking(data):
             return int(data[['Aggression','Finishing', 'Volleys', 'FKAccuracy',
                                         'ShotPower', 'LongShots', 'Penalties',
                                      'HeadingAccuracy', 'Curve']].mean())
         def defending(data):
             return int(data[['Marking', 'StandingTackle',
                                         'SlidingTackle', 'Interceptions']].mean())
         def ballControl(data):
             return int(data[['Dribbling', 'BallControl']].mean())
         def mentality(data):
             return int(data[['Positioning','Vision','Composure']].mean())
         def passing(data):
             return int(data[['Crossing', 'ShortPassing', 'LongPassing']].mean())
         def mobility(data):
             return int(data[['Acceleration', 'SprintSpeed',
                                        'Agility', 'Reactions']].mean())
         def physical(data):
             return int(data[['Balance', 'Jumping', 'Stamina', 'Strength',]].mean())
         # adding these categories to the data
         General_Polar = dataset_General.copy()
         General_Polar['Defending'] = dataset_General.apply(defending, axis = 1)
         General_Polar['Control'] = dataset_General.apply(ballControl, axis = 1)
         General_Polar['Mentality'] = dataset_General.apply(mentality, axis = 1)
         General_Polar['Passing'] = dataset_General.apply(passing, axis = 1)
         General_Polar['Mobility'] = dataset_General.apply(mobility, axis = 1)
         General_Polar['Physical'] = dataset_General.apply(physical, axis = 1)
         General_Polar['Attacking'] = dataset_General.apply(attacking, axis = 1)
         General_players = General_Polar[['Name','Defending','Control','Mentality','Passing',
                         'Mobility','Physical','Overall','Attacking','Age','Club']]
         General_players.head()
Out[17]:
                         Name Defending Control Mentality Passing Mobility \
                     L. Messi
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         1 Cristiano Ronaldo
                                      27
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         2
                    Nevmar Jr
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                 K. De Bruyne
                                      59
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Physical
                      Overall
                               Attacking
                                                                Club
                                           Age
         0
                  73
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                                       82
                                            31
                                                       FC Barcelona
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                                       84
                                            33
                                                            Juventus
         2
                  68
                           92
                                       78
                                            26
                                               Paris Saint-Germain
         4
                  76
                           91
                                       80
                                            27
                                                    Manchester City
         5
                                                             Chelsea
                  74
                           91
                                       76
                                            27
In [18]: General_players.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 15918 entries, 0 to 18206
Data columns (total 11 columns):
Name
             15918 non-null object
Defending
             15918 non-null int64
Control
             15918 non-null int64
Mentality
             15918 non-null int64
Passing
             15918 non-null int64
Mobility
             15918 non-null int64
Physical
             15918 non-null int64
Overall
             15918 non-null int64
             15918 non-null int64
Attacking
             15918 non-null int64
Age
Club
             15918 non-null object
dtypes: int64(9), object(2)
memory usage: 1.5+ MB
In [19]: General_players_graph = dataDrop(General_players, 'Age')
         General_players_graph = dataDrop(General_players_graph, 'Overall')
         General_players_graph = dataDrop(General_players_graph, 'Club')
         General_players_graph.info()
<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 15918 entries, 0 to 18206
Data columns (total 8 columns):
             15918 non-null object
Name
             15918 non-null int64
Defending
             15918 non-null int64
Control
Mentality
             15918 non-null int64
Passing
             15918 non-null int64
Mobility
             15918 non-null int64
Physical
             15918 non-null int64
             15918 non-null int64
Attacking
dtypes: int64(7), object(1)
memory usage: 1.1+ MB
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94

89

84

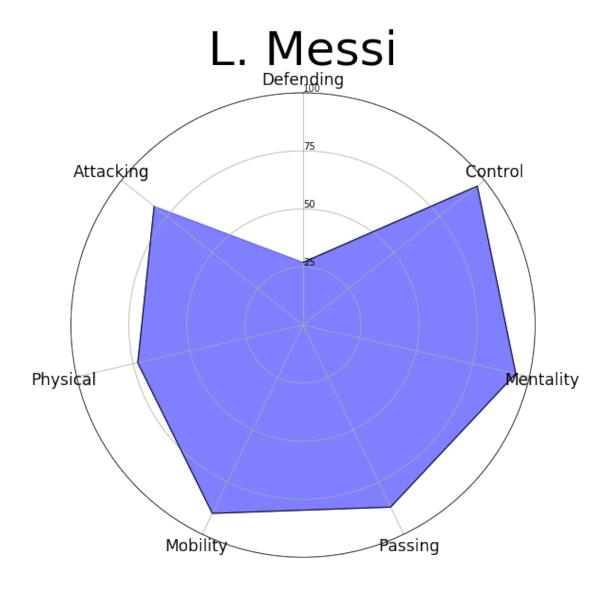
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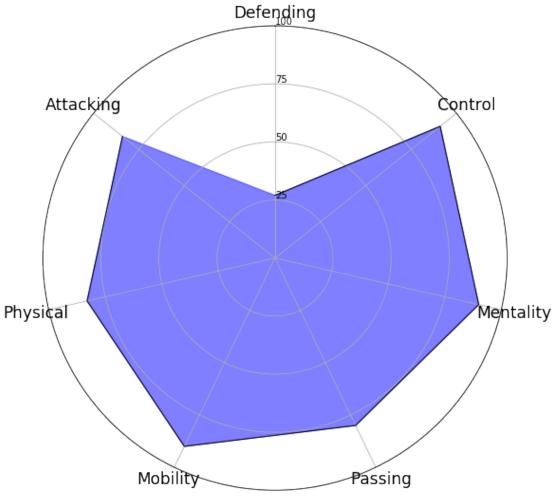
E. Hazard

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In [26]: from math import pi
         # defining a polar graph
         def graphPolarGeneral(id):
             plt.figure(figsize=(16,9))
             categories=list(General_players_graph)[1:]
             N = len(categories)
             angles = [n / float(N) * 2 * pi for n in range(N)]
             ax = plt.subplot(111, projection='polar')
             ax.set_theta_offset(pi / 2)
             ax.set_theta_direction(-1)
             plt.xticks(angles, categories, color= '#000000', size=17)
             ax.set_rlabel_position(0)
             plt.yticks([25,50,75,100], ["25","50","75","100"], color= '#000000', size= 10)
             plt.ylim(0,100)
             values = General_players_graph.loc[General_players_graph.index[id]].drop('Name').v
             ax.plot(angles, values, color= '#000000', linewidth=1, linestyle='solid')
             ax.fill(angles, values, color= '#0000ff', alpha=0.5)
             axes\_coords = [0, 0, 1, 1]
             plt.title(General_players['Name'][id], size=50, color= '#000000')
             plt.savefig(str(id)+'.png')
In [27]: graphPolarGeneral(0)
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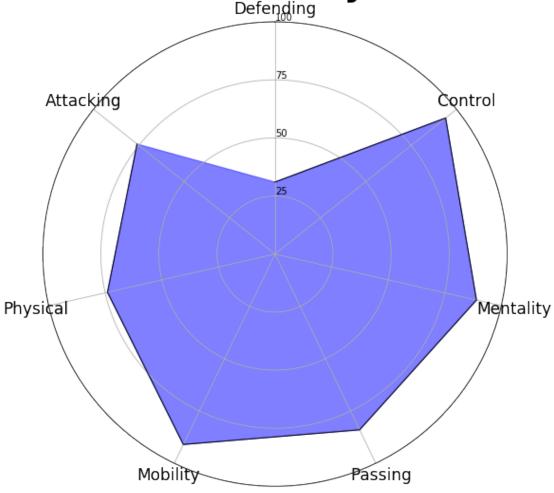
In [28]: graphPolarGeneral(1)

Cristiano Ronaldo

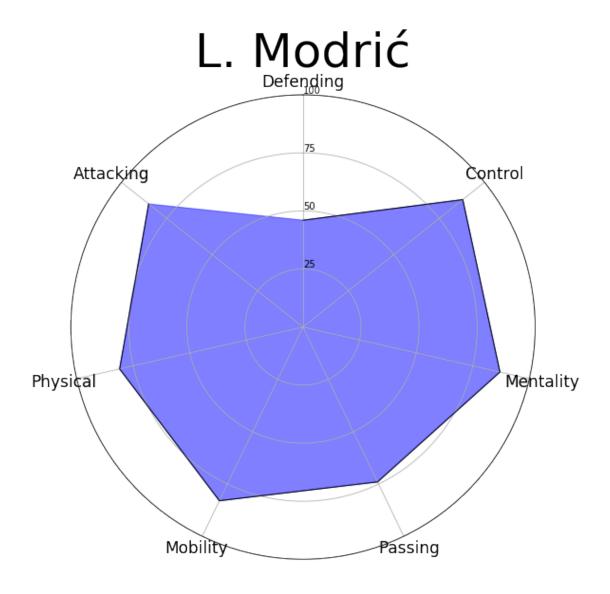


In [29]: graphPolarGeneral(4)

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In [30]: graphPolarGeneral(6)

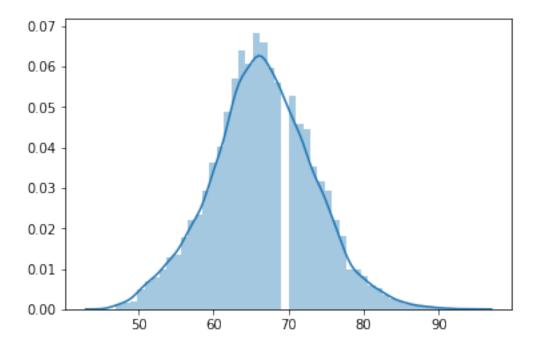


For scouts, when they look in detail of what a player's playstyle is like, they may refer to this easily.

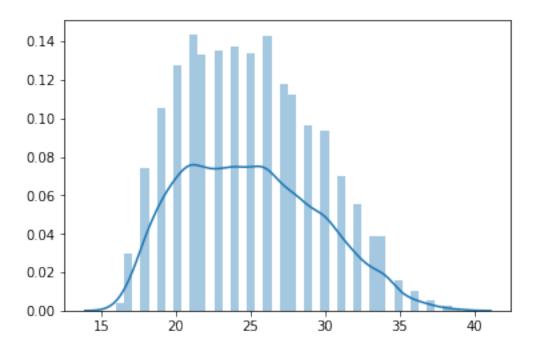
0.1 Now, we look at the data from a higher level: a managerial point of view.

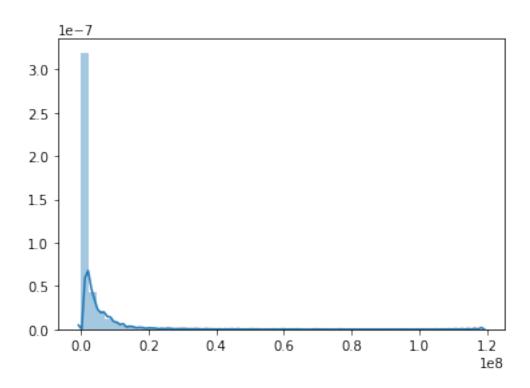
In [60]: # The distribution of player performances

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sns_plot = sns.distplot(players[['Overall']])
sns_plot.figure.savefig("OverallDist.png")
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D:\Anaconda\lib\site-packages\scipy\stats\stats.py:1713: FutureWarning: Using a non-tuple sequent return np.add.reduce(sorted[indexer] * weights, axis=axis) / sumval





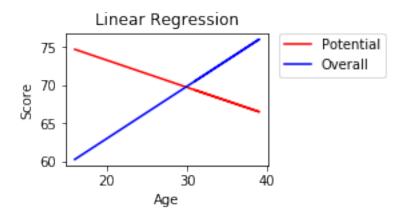
Reactions	0.848950
Composure	0.803705
ShortPassing	0.724298
BallControl	0.720986
LongPassing	0.585774
ShotPower	0.565120
Vision	0.525972
Dribbling	0.518555
Curve	0.503961
LongShots	0.503115
Crossing	0.497384
HeadingAccuracy	0.468149
Stamina	0.462111
Age	0.457102

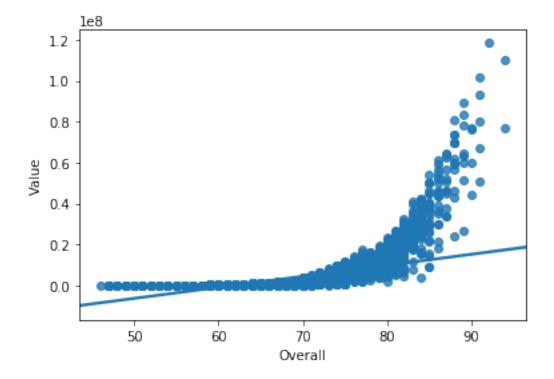
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FKAccuracy
                   0.456814
Aggression
                   0.454796
Volleys
                   0.452194
Positioning
                   0.440056
Penalties
                   0.390919
Finishing
                   0.373892
Strength
                   0.342113
Interceptions
                   0.334736
Marking
                   0.307288
StandingTackle
                   0.265473
Agility
                   0.244509
Jumping
                   0.228689
SlidingTackle
                   0.225215
WeightKG
                   0.185195
SprintSpeed
                   0.170393
Acceleration
                   0.151057
HeightCM
                   0.067842
Balance
                   0.059761
dtype: float64
In [46]: #Find the correlation
         corr = players[['Age', 'Crossing', 'Finishing', 'HeadingAccuracy',
                'ShortPassing', 'Volleys', 'Dribbling', 'Curve', 'FKAccuracy',
                'LongPassing', 'BallControl', 'Acceleration', 'SprintSpeed', 'Agility',
                'Reactions', 'Balance', 'ShotPower', 'Jumping', 'Stamina', 'Strength',
                'LongShots', 'Aggression', 'Interceptions', 'Positioning', 'Vision',
                'Penalties', 'Composure', 'Marking', 'StandingTackle', 'SlidingTackle',
                    'WeightKG', 'HeightCM']].corrwith(players['Potential'])
         print(corr.sort_values(ascending=False))
BallControl
                   0.522945
Reactions
                   0.505626
ShortPassing
                   0.495916
Composure
                   0.470442
Dribbling
                   0.417096
LongPassing
                   0.359565
Vision
                   0.348613
ShotPower
                   0.331622
Curve
                   0.306351
LongShots
                   0.288316
Positioning
                   0.274038
Crossing
                   0.273398
Volleys
                   0.268384
Finishing
                   0.253364
FKAccuracy
                   0.234780
SprintSpeed
                   0.233360
Penalties
                   0.229240
```

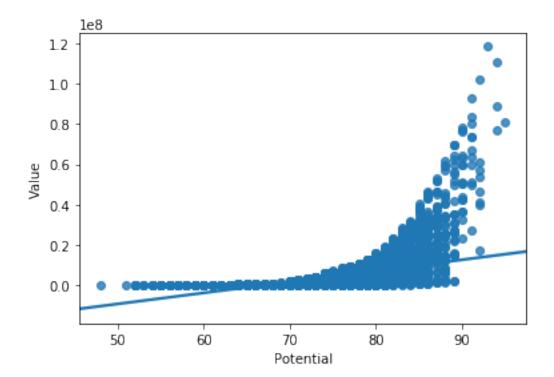
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Acceleration
                   0.228676
HeadingAccuracy
                   0.225146
Agility
                   0.207838
Stamina
                   0.206068
Aggression
                   0.156844
Marking
                   0.146611
Interceptions
                   0.131898
StandingTackle
                   0.121881
Balance
                   0.116388
SlidingTackle
                   0.104758
Jumping
                   0.066395
Strength
                   0.050525
WeightKG
                   0.015979
HeightCM
                   0.012819
Age
                  -0.266158
dtype: float64
```

The correlation matrix shows that some of the most important features regarding to a player's performance are: Ball Control, Reactions, Short Passing, Composure, Dribbling, Vision and Long passing. Something worth noticing is that there is a negative correlation between age and potential. While this doesn't imply causal relationship, we can infer that with the increase of age, the potential decreases. Using a regression to confirm:

```
In [69]: import matplotlib.patches as mpatches
         from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
         player_age = players[['Age','Potential']]
         y = player_age[['Potential']].values.ravel()
         X = player_age[player_age.columns.drop('Potential')]
         model1 = LinearRegression()
         model1.fit(X,y)
         y_pred1 = model1.predict(X)
         player_age = players[['Age','Overall']]
         y = player_age[['Overall']].values.ravel()
         X = player_age[player_age.columns.drop('Overall')]
         model2 = LinearRegression()
         model2.fit(X,y)
         y_pred2 = model2.predict(X)
         plt.subplot(223)
         plt.plot(X, y_pred1, color = 'red',label="Potential")
         plt.plot(X, y_pred2, color = 'blue', label = "Overall")
         plt.title('Linear Regression')
         plt.xlabel('Age')
         plt.ylabel('Score')
         plt.legend(bbox_to_anchor=(1.05, 1), loc=2, borderaxespad=0.)
         plt.savefig('Score~Age.png')
         plt.show()
```

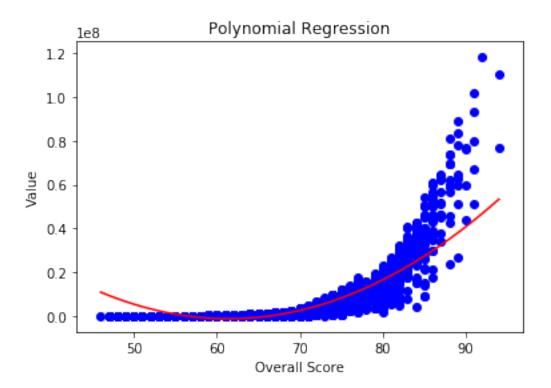




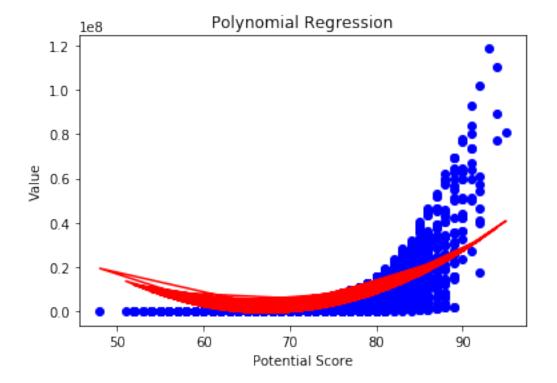


This shows that, in general, the higher the player's overall score is, the more expensive he would be. However, it is also worth noticing that there are several players who have a reletively high performance but not that high salary. From the polt, I think it would fit a ploynomial regression.

```
'poly_degree':range(1,3)
             }
         estimator = Pipeline([('poly', PolynomialFeatures()),
                              ('linear', LinearRegression(fit_intercept=False))])
         gsearch = GridSearchCV(estimator , param_grid = param_test, cv=10,scoring='neg_mean_squ
         gsearch.fit(X,y)
         gsearch.best_params_, gsearch.best_score_
         print('best score is:',str(gsearch.best_score_))
         print('best params are:',str(gsearch.best_params_))
best score is: -25786097142084.973
best params are: {'poly__degree': 2}
In [39]: # Visualising the Polynomial Regression results
         y = player_score[['Value']].values.ravel()
         X = player_score[player_score.columns.drop('Value')]
         model = Pipeline([('poly', PolynomialFeatures(degree = 2)),
                              ('linear', LinearRegression(fit_intercept=False))])
         model.fit(X,y)
         y_pred = model.predict(X)
        plt.plot(X, y_pred, color = 'red')
         plt.scatter(X, y, color = 'blue')
        plt.title('Polynomial Regression')
         plt.xlabel('Overall Score')
        plt.ylabel('Value')
         plt.savefig('Value~OveallScore.png')
         plt.show()
```



```
In [32]: #then process the data into X and y form
         player_score = players[['Value','Potential']]
         y = player_score[['Value']].values.ravel()
         X = player_score[player_score.columns.drop('Value')]
In [30]: from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
         from sklearn.pipeline import Pipeline
         from sklearn.preprocessing import PolynomialFeatures
         from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression
         param_test = {
                 'poly_degree':range(1,3)
             }
         estimator = Pipeline([('poly', PolynomialFeatures()),
                              ('linear', LinearRegression(fit_intercept=False))])
         gsearch = GridSearchCV(estimator , param_grid = param_test, cv=10,scoring='neg_mean_squ
         gsearch.fit(X,y)
         gsearch.best_params_, gsearch.best_score_
         print('best score is:',str(gsearch.best_score_))
         print('best params are:',str(gsearch.best_params_))
best score is: -31385312630252.66
best params are: {'poly__degree': 2}
```



As we can see, the polynomial regression with degree 2 is the best fit. According to our plots, we would like to identify the players that have overall/potential score over 80 and are below the respective predicted value. Because we want to evaluate a player based on both overall and potential, we now use both variables.

```
In [57]: param_test = {
                 'poly__degree':range(1,3)
             }
         estimator = Pipeline([('poly', PolynomialFeatures()),
                               ('linear', LinearRegression(fit_intercept=False))])
         gsearch = GridSearchCV(estimator , param_grid = param_test, cv=10,scoring='neg_mean_squ
         gsearch.fit(X,y)
         gsearch.best_params_, gsearch.best_score_
         print('best score is:',str(gsearch.best_score_))
         print('best params are:',str(gsearch.best_params_))
best score is: -19676078440368.617
best params are: {'poly__degree': 2}
In [79]: model = Pipeline([('poly', PolynomialFeatures(degree = 2)),
                              ('linear', LinearRegression(fit_intercept=False))])
         model.fit(X,y)
         y_pred = model.predict(X)
         A = player_score[['Overall']].values.ravel()
         B = player_score[['Potential']].values.ravel()
         lst = []
         for i in range(y.size):
             if (A[i] >= 80 \text{ or } B[i] >= 80):
                 if y_pred[i] >= y[i]:
                     lst.append(i)
         listName = []
         for i in 1st:
             listName.append(player_score[['Name']].values.ravel()[i])
         print(listName)
['Dani Sandoval', 'B. Adekanye', 'A. Wilson', 'I. Sauter']
In []:
```