Modelling

Import necessary libraries

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split, cross_val_score, KFold
from sklearn.linear_model import LinearRegression, Lasso
from sklearn.tree import DecisionTreeRegressor
from sklearn.metrics import mean_squared_error, r2_score, accuracy_score, roc_curve, r
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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Load and visualize features and output variable

```
# Load the data
In [ ]:
         X = pd.read_csv('datasets/raw_data_final/features_model.csv', index_col=0).drop(column
         y = pd.read csv('datasets/raw data final/output variable model.csv', index col=0)
         X.head(5)
In [ ]:
Out[]:
            CLUB NAME CURRENT INTERNATIONAL
                                                     AGE MIN_PLAYING DIST_STANDARD
                                                                                         3RD_TOUCHES
         0
                    52
                                              78 0.409091
                                                                0.584089
                                                                                0.215017
                                                                                               0.837452
                    52
         1
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                                                 0.500000
                                                                0.547529
                                                                                0.262799
                                                                                               0.584601
         2
                    52
                                              32 0.545455
                                                                0.539631
                                                                                0.361775
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         3
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                                                                0.668617
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                    52
                                              88 0.545455
                                                                0.290143
                                                                                0.412969
                                                                                               0.318441
        5 rows × 54 columns
         X.info()
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<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>
Int64Index: 2384 entries, 0 to 2383
Data columns (total 54 columns):

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#	Column	Non-I	Null Count	Dtype
0	CLUB NAME		non-null	 int64
	CLUB_NAME			
1 2	CURRENT_INTERNATIONAL AGE		non-null non-null	
3	MIN_PLAYING		non-null	
4	DIST_STANDARD		non-null	
5	-		non-null	
6	DEF 3RD_TOUCHES ATT 3RD_TOUCHES		non-null	
7	ATT PEN_TOUCHES		non-null	
8	ATT_TAKE		non-null	
9	TOTDIST_CARRIES		non-null	
10	CPA CARRIES		non-null	
11	MIS_CARRIES		non-null	
12	SUBS_SUBS		non-null	
13	UNSUB_SUBS		non-null	
14	PLUS_PERMINUSTEAM.SUCCESS		non-null	
15	TOTDIST TOTAL		non-null	
16	CRSPA		non-null	
	FLS		non-null	
18	FLD		non-null	
19	OFF		non-null	float64
20	CRS		non-null	float64
21	WON AERIAL		non-null	float64
	LOST_AERIAL		non-null	float64
23	ATT 3RD_TACKLES		non-null	float64
24	LOST_CHALLENGES		non-null	float64
25	PASS_BLOCKS		non-null	float64
26	TKL+INT		non-null	float64
27	LEAGUE_COUNTRY_England	2384	non-null	int64
28	LEAGUE_COUNTRY_France		non-null	int64
29	LEAGUE COUNTRY Germany	2384	non-null	int64
30	LEAGUE_COUNTRY_Italy	2384	non-null	int64
31	LEAGUE_COUNTRY_Spain	2384	non-null	int64
32	POSITION_Attack - Centre-Forward	2384	non-null	int64
33	POSITION_Attack - Left Winger	2384	non-null	int64
34	POSITION_Attack - Right Winger	2384	non-null	int64
35	POSITION_Attack - Second Striker		non-null	int64
36	POSITION_Defender - Centre-Back	2384	non-null	int64
37	POSITION_Defender - Left-Back	2384	non-null	int64
38	POSITION_Defender - Right-Back	2384	non-null	int64
39	POSITION_midfield - Attacking Midfield	2384	non-null	int64
40	POSITION_midfield - Central Midfield	2384	non-null	int64
41	POSITION_midfield - Defensive Midfield	2384	non-null	int64
42	POSITION_midfield - Left Midfield	2384	non-null	int64
43	POSITION_midfield - Right Midfield	2384	non-null	int64
44	MACRO_POSITION_Attack	2384	non-null	int64
45	MACRO_POSITION_Defense	2384	non-null	int64
46	MACRO_POSITION_Midfield	2384	non-null	int64
47	FOOT_both	2384	non-null	int64
48	FOOT_left	2384	non-null	int64
49	FOOT_right	2384	non-null	int64
50	PLAYER_AGENT_False	2384	non-null	int64
51	PLAYER_AGENT_True		non-null	int64
52	OUTFITTER_False	2384	non-null	int64
53	OUTFITTER_True	2384	non-null	int64

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dtypes: float64(25), int64(29)
         memory usage: 1.0 MB
In [ ]:
         y.tail(5)
Out[ ]:
               PLAYER_VALUE
         2379
                    15.201805
         2380
                    14.845130
         2381
                    13.910821
         2382
                    13.815511
         2383
                    13.304685
```

Split data into training and testing

```
In [ ]: # Split the data into training and testing sets using 40% for testing
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X, y, test_size=0.4, random_state=
```

Define evaluate model function

```
In [ ]: # Function to evaluate and print model performance metrics

def evaluate_model(y_true, y_pred):
    rmse = np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_true, y_pred))
    r2 = r2_score(y_true, y_pred)
    print(f"RMSE: {rmse:.2f}, R^2: {r2:.2f}")
```

Modelling using train - test split

```
print("Decision Trees:")
evaluate_model(y_test, y_pred_dt)
# Lasso Regression
lasso = Lasso(random state=1)
lasso.fit(X train, y train)
y_pred_lasso = lasso.predict(X_test)
print("Lasso Regression:")
evaluate_model(y_test, y_pred_lasso)
# Decision Tree Regression
dt_regression = DecisionTreeRegressor(random_state=1)
dt regression.fit(X train, y train)
y_pred_dt_regression = dt_regression.predict(X_test)
print("Decision Tree Regression:")
evaluate model(y test, y pred dt regression)
Linear Regression:
RMSE: 0.83, R^2: 0.64
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RMSE: 0.83, R^2: 0.64
Decision Trees:
RMSE: 1.05, R^2: 0.42
Lasso Regression:
RMSE: 1.37, R^2: 0.00
Decision Tree Regression:
RMSE: 1.05, R^2: 0.42

Modelling using k-fold technique

```
In [ ]: # Cross-validation using k-fold technique
        kf = KFold(n splits=5, random state=1, shuffle=True)
        # Linear Regression
        lr_scores = cross_val_score(lr, X, y.values.ravel(), cv=kf, scoring='neg_mean_squared
        lr_rmse_cv = np.sqrt(-lr_scores.mean())
        print("Linear Regression (k-fold CV):")
        print(f"RMSE: {lr rmse cv:.2f}")
        # Decision Trees
        dt_scores = cross_val_score(dt, X, y.values.ravel(), cv=kf, scoring='neg_mean_squared
        dt rmse cv = np.sqrt(-dt scores.mean())
        print("Decision Trees (k-fold CV):")
        print(f"RMSE: {dt rmse cv:.2f}")
        # Lasso Regression
        lasso scores = cross val score(lasso, X, y.values.ravel(), cv=kf, scoring='neg mean sc
        lasso rmse cv = np.sqrt(-lasso scores.mean())
        print("Lasso Regression (k-fold CV):")
        print(f"RMSE: {lasso_rmse_cv:.2f}")
        # Decision Tree Regression
        dt regression scores = cross val score(dt regression, X, y.values.ravel(), cv=kf, scor
        dt_regression_rmse_cv = np.sqrt(-dt_regression_scores.mean())
        print("Decision Tree Regression (k-fold CV):")
        print(f"RMSE: {dt regression rmse cv:.2f}")
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Linear Regression (k-fold CV):
RMSE: 0.84

Decision Trees (k-fold CV):
RMSE: 1.04

Lasso Regression (k-fold CV):
RMSE: 1.40

Decision Tree Regression (k-fold CV):
RMSE: 1.04
```

Optimizing the Linear Regression Model

Bagging (Bootstrap Aggregating)

```
In [ ]: from sklearn.ensemble import BaggingRegressor

# Create a bagging regressor using Linear Regression as the base estimator
bagging_lr = BaggingRegressor(base_estimator=lr, n_estimators=10, random_state=1)

# Perform cross-validation and calculate RMSE
bagging_lr_scores = cross_val_score(bagging_lr, X, y.values.ravel(), cv=kf, scoring='rbagging_lr_mse_cv = np.sqrt(-bagging_lr_scores.mean())

print("Bagging (Linear Regression) (k-fold CV):")
print(f"RMSE: {bagging_lr_rmse_cv:.2f}")

Bagging (Linear Regression) (k-fold CV):
RMSE: 0.85
```

Boosting

```
In []: from sklearn.ensemble import GradientBoostingRegressor

# Create a Gradient Boosting Regressor
gb_regressor = GradientBoostingRegressor(n_estimators=100, learning_rate=0.1, random_s

# Perform cross-validation and calculate RMSE
gb_scores = cross_val_score(gb_regressor, X, y.values.ravel(), cv=kf, scoring='neg_meage_gb_rmse_cv = np.sqrt(-gb_scores.mean())

print("Gradient Boosting (k-fold CV):")
print(f"RMSE: {gb_rmse_cv:.2f}")

Gradient Boosting (k-fold CV):
RMSE: 0.68
```

Hyperparameter Optimization

```
In []: from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
    from sklearn.metrics import r2_score

# Define hyperparameters to search over
param_grid = {
        'n_estimators': [50, 100, 200],
        'learning_rate': [0.05, 0.1, 0.2],
        'max_depth': [3],
        # Add other hyperparameters specific to the chosen model
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# Create a GridSearchCV object
        grid_search = GridSearchCV(GradientBoostingRegressor(random_state=1), param_grid, cv=1
        # Perform the grid search
        grid search.fit(X, y.values.ravel())
        # Print the best hyperparameters, RMSE, and R-squared
        best params = grid search.best params
        best rmse = np.sqrt(-grid search.best score )
        best_model = grid_search.best_estimator_
        y_pred = best_model.predict(X)
        best r2 = r2 \text{ score}(y, y \text{ pred})
        print("Best Hyperparameters:", best_params)
        print("Best RMSE:", best_rmse)
        print("Best R-squared:", best_r2)
        Best Hyperparameters: {'learning_rate': 0.2, 'max_depth': 3, 'n_estimators': 200}
        Best RMSE: 0.6527793204881664
        Best R-squared: 0.9304604540636039
In [ ]: # Use the best hyperparameters from the grid search
        best_params = {'learning_rate': 0.2, 'max_depth': 3, 'n_estimators': 200}
        # Create the Gradient Boosting Regressor with the best hyperparameters
        best_gb_regressor = GradientBoostingRegressor(**best_params, random_state=1)
        # Train the model on the entire dataset
        best_gb_regressor.fit(X, y.values.ravel())
        # Get feature importances
        feature_importances = best_gb_regressor.feature_importances_
        # Create a list of (feature name, importance) tuples
        feature_importance_list = [(feature_name, importance) for feature_name, importance in
        # Sort the list by importance (descending)
        feature_importance_list = sorted(feature_importance_list, key=lambda x: x[1], reverse
        # Print the top 10 most important features
        print("Top 10 Most Important Features:")
        for feature_name, importance in feature_importance_list[:10]:
            print(f"{feature name}: {importance:.4f}")
        Top 10 Most Important Features:
        TOTDIST CARRIES: 0.1874
        AGE: 0.1426
        ATT PEN TOUCHES: 0.1323
        PLUS PER MINUS TEAM.SUCCESS: 0.1318
        LEAGUE COUNTRY England: 0.0964
        MIN PLAYING: 0.0590
        ATT 3RD TOUCHES: 0.0442
        CLUB NAME: 0.0426
        TOTDIST TOTAL: 0.0317
        LEAGUE COUNTRY France: 0.0186
In [ ]: | from sklearn.model_selection import cross_val_score
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```
# Perform cross-validation using k-fold technique
kf = KFold(n_splits=5, random_state=1, shuffle=True)

# Calculate R-squared for the entire dataset
r2_scores = cross_val_score(best_gb_regressor, X, y.values.ravel(), cv=kf, scoring='r2
average_r2 = r2_scores.mean()

print("Average R-squared on Validation Sets:", average_r2)

# Calculate R-squared for the training set
best_gb_regressor.fit(X, y.values.ravel())
y_pred_train = best_gb_regressor.predict(X)
r2_train = r2_score(y, y_pred_train)

print("R-squared on Training Set:", r2_train)

# Compare R-squared values to detect overfitting
if r2_train > average_r2:
    print("The model may be overfitting.")
else:
    print("The model appears to be performing reasonably.")
```

Average R-squared on Validation Sets: 0.782943751767603 R-squared on Training Set: 0.9304604540636039 The model may be overfitting.

Modelling based on the player's position

```
In []: # Separate the data based on 'MACRO_POSITION' columns
attack_indices = X['MACRO_POSITION_Attack'] == 1
defense_indices = X['MACRO_POSITION_Defense'] == 1
midfield_indices = X['MACRO_POSITION_Midfield'] == 1
```

Gradient Boosting

```
In [ ]:
        import joblib
        import statsmodels.api as sm
        # Initialize lists to store RMSE values for each model
        rmse attack = []
        rmse_defense = []
        rmse midfield = []
        # Initialize lists to store R-squared values for each model
        r2 attack = []
        r2 defense = []
        r2 midfield = []
        # Initialize lists to store feature importances for each model
        feature importance attack = []
        feature importance defense = []
        feature_importance_midfield = []
        # Perform hyperparameter optimization and train models for each subset
        for indices, position in zip([attack_indices, defense_indices, midfield_indices], ['At
            X subset = X[indices]
            y_subset = y[indices]
```

```
# Split data into train and test sets
X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X_subset, y_subset, test_size
# Create a Gradient Boosting Regressor
gb_regressor = GradientBoostingRegressor(n_estimators=200, learning_rate=0.2, max
# Fit the model
gb_regressor.fit(X_train, y_train.values.ravel())
# Predict on the test set
y_pred = gb_regressor.predict(X_test)
# Calculate R-squared for the current subset
r2 = r2_score(y_test, y_pred)
if position == 'Attack':
    r2_attack.append(r2)
    feature importance attack.append(gb regressor.feature importances )
elif position == 'Defense':
    r2 defense.append(r2)
    feature_importance_defense.append(gb_regressor.feature_importances_)
elif position == 'Midfield':
    r2 midfield.append(r2)
    feature_importance_midfield.append(gb_regressor.feature_importances_)
# Calculate RMSE for the current subset
rmse = mean_squared_error(y_test, y_pred, squared=False)
if position == 'Attack':
    rmse attack.append(rmse)
elif position == 'Defense':
    rmse defense.append(rmse)
elif position == 'Midfield':
    rmse_midfield.append(rmse)
# Save the model
model filename = f'models/model {position}.joblib'
joblib.dump(gb regressor, model filename)
```

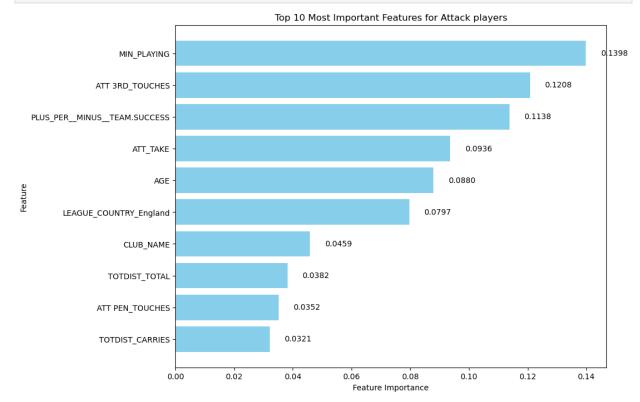
```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

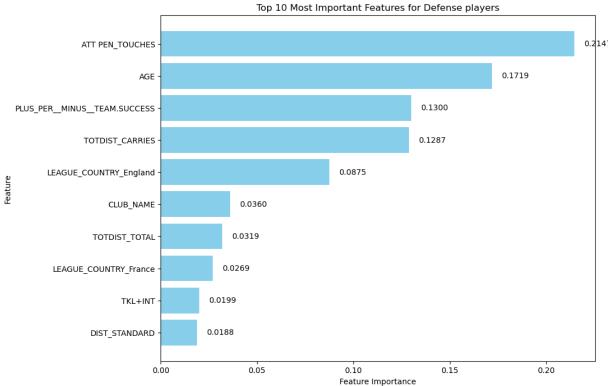
# Show the top 5 most important features for each model
def plot_feature_importance(position, feature_importance):
    top_features = X.columns[np.argsort(feature_importance)[::-1]][:10]
    top_importance = feature_importance[np.argsort(feature_importance)[::-1]][:10]

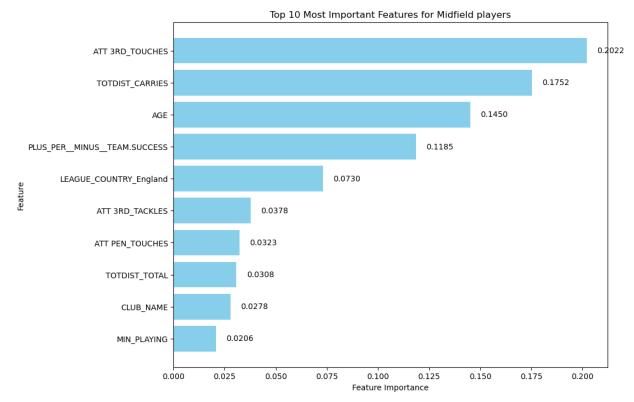
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 8))
    plt.barh(top_features, top_importance, color='skyblue')
    plt.xlabel('Feature Importance')
    plt.ylabel('Feature')
    plt.title(f'Top 10 Most Important Features for {position} players')
    plt.gca().invert_yaxis()

for i, (feature, importance) in enumerate(zip(top_features, top_importance)):
        plt.text(importance + 0.005, i, f'{importance:.4f}', va='center', color='black
    plt.show()
```

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plot_feature_importance('Attack', np.mean(feature_importance_attack, axis=0))
plot_feature_importance('Defense', np.mean(feature_importance_defense, axis=0))
plot_feature_importance('Midfield', np.mean(feature_importance_midfield, axis=0))
```







Overfitting Analysis

```
from sklearn.metrics import mean squared error
In [ ]:
        # Initialize lists to store RMSE values for each model
        rmse_attack_train = []
        rmse attack test = []
        rmse_defense_train = []
        rmse_defense_test = []
        rmse midfield train = []
        rmse midfield test = []
        # Perform hyperparameter optimization and train models for each subset
        for indices, position in zip([attack_indices, defense_indices, midfield_indices], ['At
            X_subset = X[indices]
            y_subset = y[indices]
            # Split data into train and test sets
            X_train, X_test, y_train, y_test = train_test_split(X_subset, y_subset, test_size
            # Create a Gradient Boosting Regressor
            gb_regressor = GradientBoostingRegressor(n_estimators=200, learning_rate=0.2, max
            # Fit the model
            gb_regressor.fit(X_train, y_train.values.ravel())
            # Predict on training data
            y_train_pred = gb_regressor.predict(X_train)
            # Predict on test data
            y_test_pred = gb_regressor.predict(X_test)
```

```
# Calculate RMSE for training and test data
    rmse train = np.sqrt(mean squared error(y train, y train pred))
    rmse_test = np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_test, y_test_pred))
    if position == 'Attack':
        rmse_attack_train.append(rmse_train)
        rmse attack test.append(rmse test)
    elif position == 'Defense':
        rmse_defense_train.append(rmse_train)
        rmse defense test.append(rmse test)
    elif position == 'Midfield':
        rmse midfield train.append(rmse train)
        rmse_midfield_test.append(rmse_test)
# Print RMSE values for each model
print("Overfitting Analysis - Attack:")
print(f" RMSE (Train): {np.mean(rmse_attack_train):.4f}")
print(f" RMSE (Test): {np.mean(rmse_attack_test):.4f}")
print()
print("Overfitting Analysis - Defense:")
print(f" RMSE (Train): {np.mean(rmse_defense_train):.4f}")
print(f" RMSE (Test): {np.mean(rmse defense test):.4f}")
print()
print("Overfitting Analysis - Midfield:")
print(f" RMSE (Train): {np.mean(rmse_midfield_train):.4f}")
print(f" RMSE (Test): {np.mean(rmse midfield test):.4f}")
Overfitting Analysis - Attack:
  RMSE (Train): 0.0762
  RMSE (Test): 0.7927
Overfitting Analysis - Defense:
 RMSE (Train): 0.0965
  RMSE (Test): 0.6942
Overfitting Analysis - Midfield:
  RMSE (Train): 0.0981
  RMSE (Test): 0.7057
```

Ridge Regressor

```
In []: from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV
    from sklearn.metrics import r2_score
    from sklearn.linear_model import Ridge

# Initialize lists to store RMSE values for each model
    rmse_attack_train = []
    rmse_attack_test = []
    r2_attack_scores = []
    best_params_attack = []

    rmse_defense_train = []
    rmse_defense_test = []
    r2_defense_scores = []
    best_params_defense = []
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```
rmse midfield test = []
r2 midfield scores = []
best_params_midfield = []
# Initialize lists to store feature importances for each model
feature_importance_attack = []
feature importance defense = []
feature_importance_midfield = []
# Parameters for grid search
param_grid = {'alpha': [0.01, 0.1, 1, 10]}
# Perform hyperparameter optimization and train models for each subset
for indices, position in zip([attack_indices, defense_indices, midfield_indices], ['At
   X subset = X[indices]
   y_subset = y[indices]
   # Split data into train and test sets
   X train, X test, y train, y test = train test split(X subset, y subset, test size
   # Create Ridge regressor
   ridge = Ridge()
   # Perform GridSearchCV
   grid_search = GridSearchCV(ridge, param_grid, cv=5)
   grid_search.fit(X_train, y_train)
   # Get best parameters and best estimator
   best_params = grid_search.best_params_
   best_estimator = grid_search.best_estimator_
   # Predict on training data
   y train pred = best estimator.predict(X train)
   # Predict on test data
   y_test_pred = best_estimator.predict(X_test)
   # Calculate RMSE for training and test data
   rmse train = np.sqrt(mean squared error(y train, y train pred))
   rmse_test = np.sqrt(mean_squared_error(y_test, y_test_pred))
   # Calculate R-squared score for test data
   r2_score_test = r2_score(y_test, y_test_pred)
   if position == 'Attack':
        rmse_attack_train.append(rmse_train)
        rmse attack test.append(rmse test)
        r2_attack_scores.append(r2_score_test)
        feature importance attack = best estimator.coef
        best_params_attack.append(best_params)
    elif position == 'Defense':
        rmse defense train.append(rmse train)
        rmse_defense_test.append(rmse_test)
        r2_defense_scores.append(r2_score_test)
        feature_importance_defense = best_estimator.coef_
        best_params_defense.append(best_params)
    elif position == 'Midfield':
        rmse_midfield_train.append(rmse_train)
        rmse_midfield_test.append(rmse_test)
        r2_midfield_scores.append(r2_score_test)
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```
feature importance midfield = best estimator.coef
        best params midfield.append(best params)
# Print overfitting analysis and R-squared scores for each model
print("Overfitting Analysis with Regularization - Attack:")
          RMSE (Train): {np.mean(rmse_attack_train):.4f}")
          RMSE (Test): {np.mean(rmse attack test):.4f}")
print(f" R-squared (Test): {np.mean(r2_attack_scores):.4f}")
print(f" Best Parameters: {best_params_attack}")
print("\nOverfitting Analysis with Regularization - Defense:")
print(f"
          RMSE (Train): {np.mean(rmse defense train):.4f}")
          RMSE (Test): {np.mean(rmse_defense_test):.4f}")
print(f"
print(f" R-squared (Test): {np.mean(r2_defense_scores):.4f}")
print(f" Best Parameters: {best params defense}")
print("\nOverfitting Analysis with Regularization - Midfield:")
print(f"
          RMSE (Train): {np.mean(rmse_midfield_train):.4f}")
          RMSE (Test): {np.mean(rmse midfield test):.4f}")
print(f"
print(f" R-squared (Test): {np.mean(r2 midfield scores):.4f}")
print(f" Best Parameters: {best params midfield}")
Overfitting Analysis with Regularization - Attack:
  RMSE (Train): 0.8388
 RMSE (Test): 0.8805
  R-squared (Test): 0.6567
  Best Parameters: [{'alpha': 1}]
Overfitting Analysis with Regularization - Defense:
  RMSE (Train): 0.7605
  RMSE (Test): 0.7887
  R-squared (Test): 0.6419
  Best Parameters: [{'alpha': 1}]
Overfitting Analysis with Regularization - Midfield:
  RMSE (Train): 0.7976
  RMSE (Test): 0.8522
  R-squared (Test): 0.6204
  Best Parameters: [{'alpha': 1}]
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