Projecting College Quarterbacks

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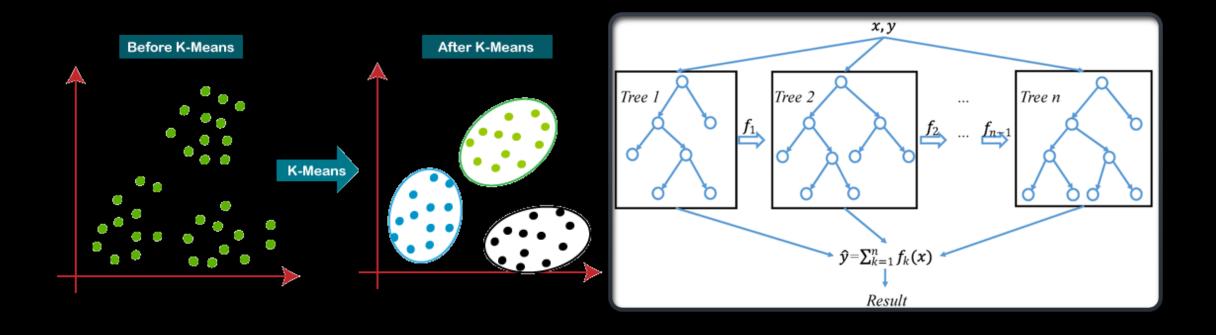
Overview

- Methodology
- Model Overview
- Projecting Scheme Fits
- Risk Profile Analysis
- Concluding Thoughts and Questions





Algorithmic Approach



Scheme Definitions

Scheme 1

SCHEME 2

SCHEME 3

- West Coast Offense
- ZONE RUNNING GAME
 - HIGH SHORT PASS %
 - QB MISDIRECTION

- POWER RUN GAME
- HIGH PLAY ACTION %
 - "BULLY BALL"

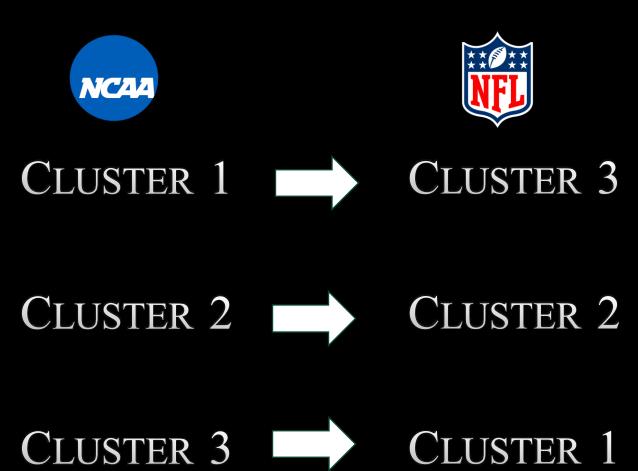
- MOTION HEAVY
- HIGH DROP BACK PASSES
 - GAP SCHEME

Cluster Overview

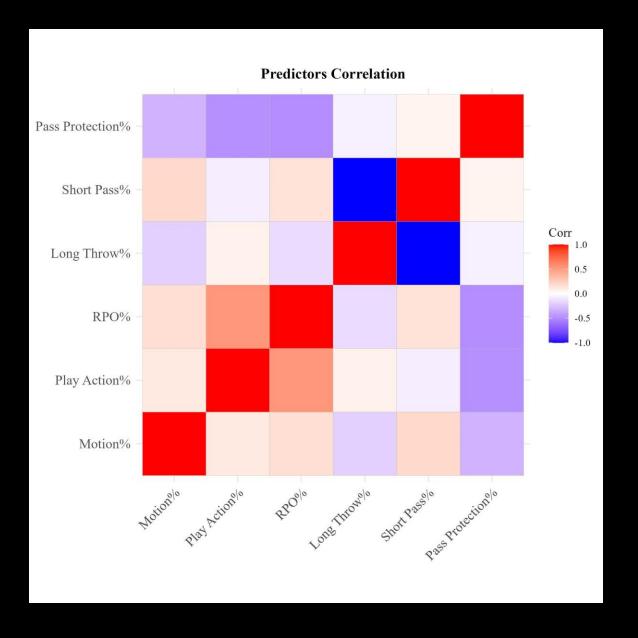
Scheme 1

Scheme 2

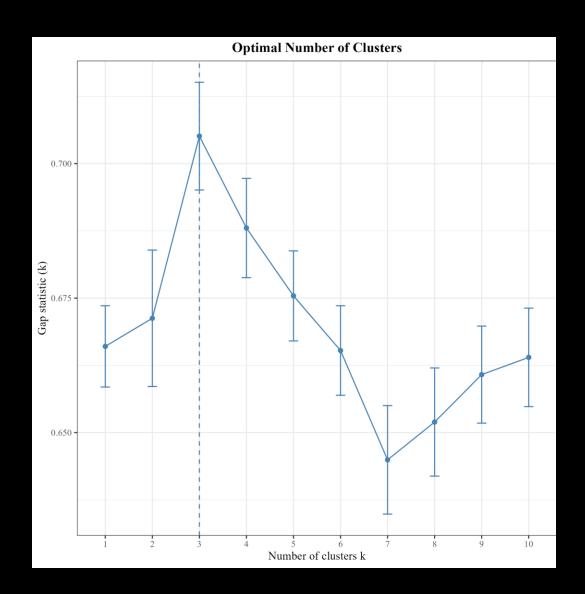
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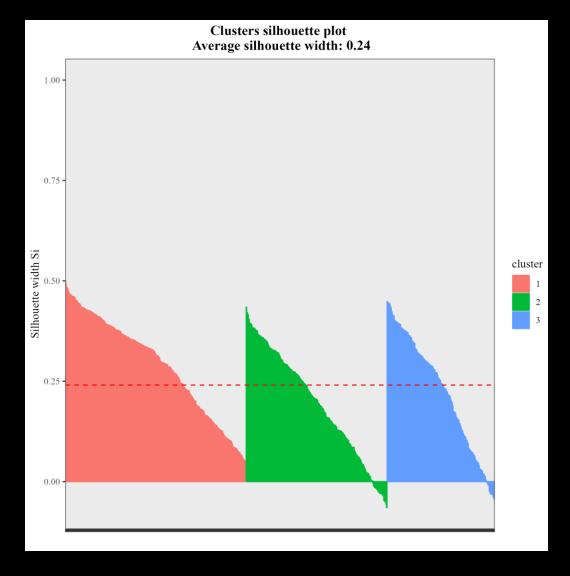


Cluster Predictors

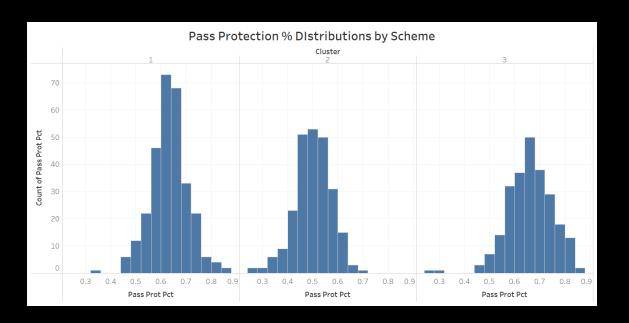


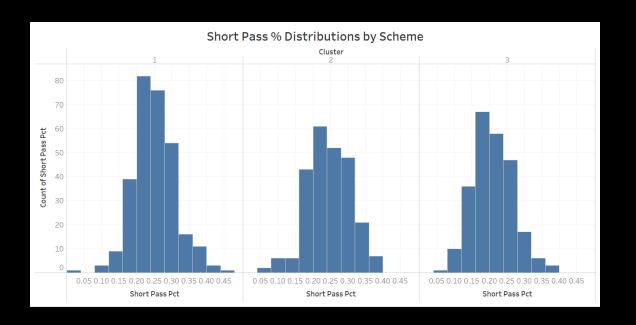
Cluster Performance

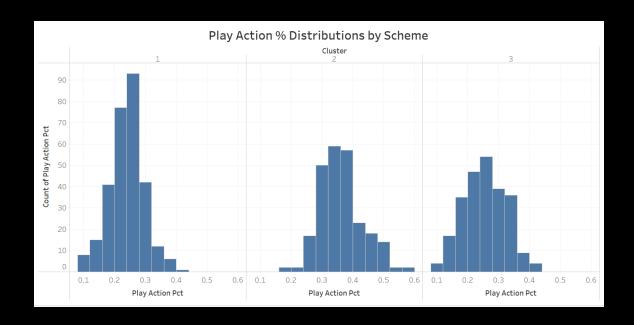




Predictor Distributions by Scheme

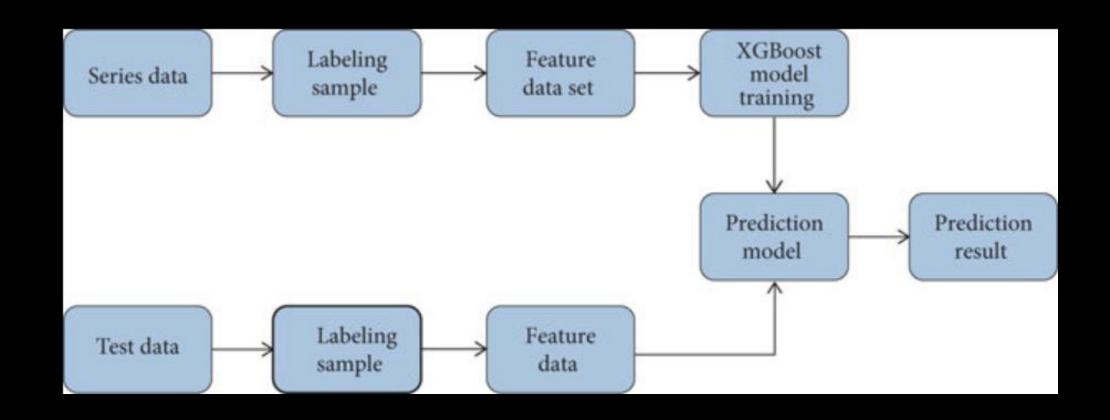




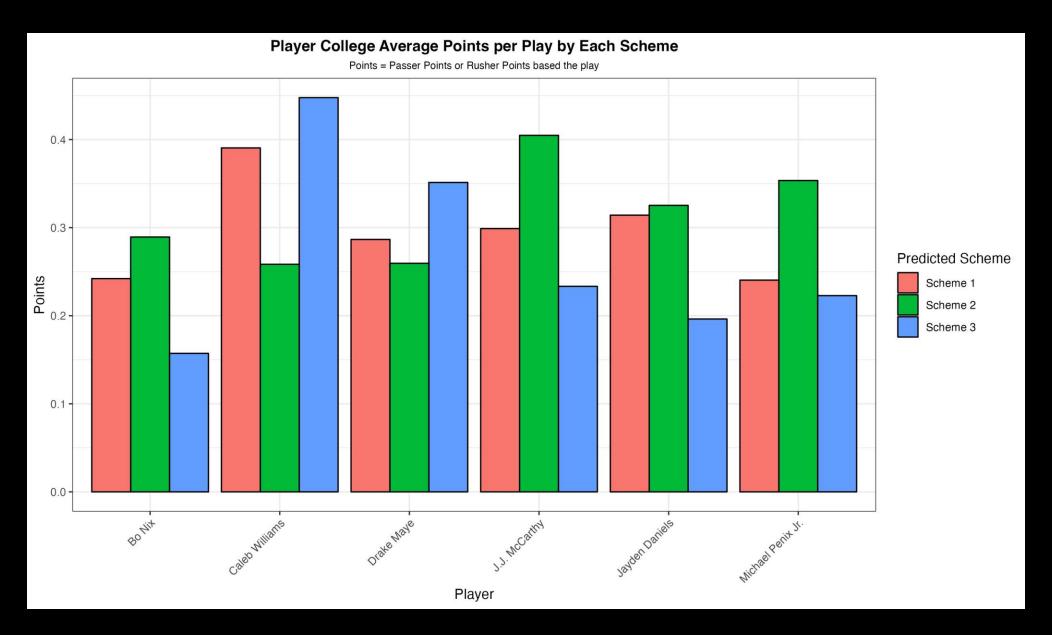


XGBoost

- Classification Model
- SIS NFL Points Model



Scheme Analysis



Scheme 1 Projections

SIS Points per Play and Expected Points Per Play in Scheme 1						
PLAYER		PREDICTED SCHEME	SIS POINTS	YEAR 1 PREDICTED POINTS	YEAR 2 PREDICTED POINTS	YEAR 3 PREDICTED POINTS
Caleb Williams	-	Scheme 1	0.3905143	0.046065755	0.1448188	0.1448188
Jayden Daniels	a B n	Scheme 1	0.3141713	0.113171607	0.1686175	0.1686175
J.J. McCarthy		Scheme 1	0.2989240	0.008205133	0.1069582	0.1069582
Drake Maye		Scheme 1	0.2865762	0.324826330	0.2413235	0.2413235
Bo Nix		Scheme 1	0.2421651	-0.411253422	-0.3593771	-0.3593771
Michael Penix Jr.		Scheme 1	0.2404131	0.102024972	0.1674623	0.1674623

Drake Maye



SIS Scheme 1 Points: 0.287 Year 3 Scheme 1 Projection: 0.241

Scheme 1 Possible Fits



Scheme 2 Projections

SIS Points per Play and Expected Points Per Play in Scheme 2						
PLAYER		PREDICTED SCHEME	SIS POINTS	YEAR 1 PREDICTED POINTS	YEAR 2 PREDICTED POINTS	YEAR 3 PREDICTED POINTS
J.J. McCarthy		Scheme 2	0.4047950	0.135352060	0.14184706	0.14184706
Michael Penix Jr.		Scheme 2	0.3535139	0.089469790	0.12952562	0.12952562
Jayden Daniels	A Ph	Scheme 2	0.3253044	0.092148997	0.10138269	0.10138269
Bo Nix		Scheme 2	0.2893611	0.026306206	0.09174360	0.09174360
Drake Maye		Scheme 2	0.2595049	-0.028355338	0.02097779	0.02097779
Caleb Williams		Scheme 2	0.2583932	-0.005436717	0.03042918	0.03042918

J.J. McCarthy



SIS Scheme 2 Points: 0.405 Year 3 Scheme 2 Projection: 0.142

Scheme 2 Possible Fits





Scheme 3 Projections

SIS Points per Play and Expected Points Per Play in Scheme 3						
PLAYER		PREDICTED SCHEME	SIS POINTS	YEAR 1 PREDICTED POINTS	YEAR 2 PREDICTED POINTS	YEAR 3 PREDICTED POINTS
Caleb Williams	-	Scheme 3	0.4476371	0.21687679	0.26742169	0.26742169
Drake Maye		Scheme 3	0.3512970	0.08946979	0.10597610	0.10597610
J.J. McCarthy		Scheme 3	0.2333339	0.15484586	0.17809702	0.17809702
Michael Penix Jr.		Scheme 3	0.2228168	0.28793487	0.26013938	0.26013938
Jayden Daniels	A B I	Scheme 3	0.1962751	-0.01262163	0.01062953	0.01062953
Bo Nix		Scheme 3	0.1572680	0.06942073	0.09267189	0.09267189

Caleb Williams



SIS Scheme 3 Points: 0.448 Year 3 Scheme 3 Projection: 0.267 Scheme 3 Possible Fits



2023 Bears: Scheme 2

Jayden Daniels



SIS Scheme 2 Points: 0.325 Year 3 Scheme 2 Projection: 0.101

Possible Fits







Michael Penix Jr.



SIS Scheme 3 Points: 0.223 Year 3 Scheme 3 Projection: 0.260

Best Possible Fits



Bo Nix



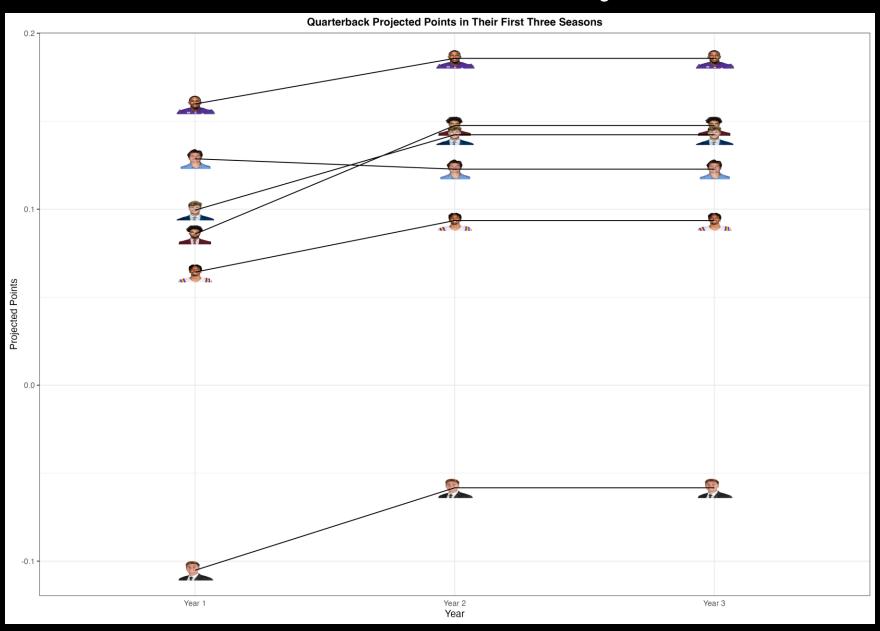
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Best Possible Fits





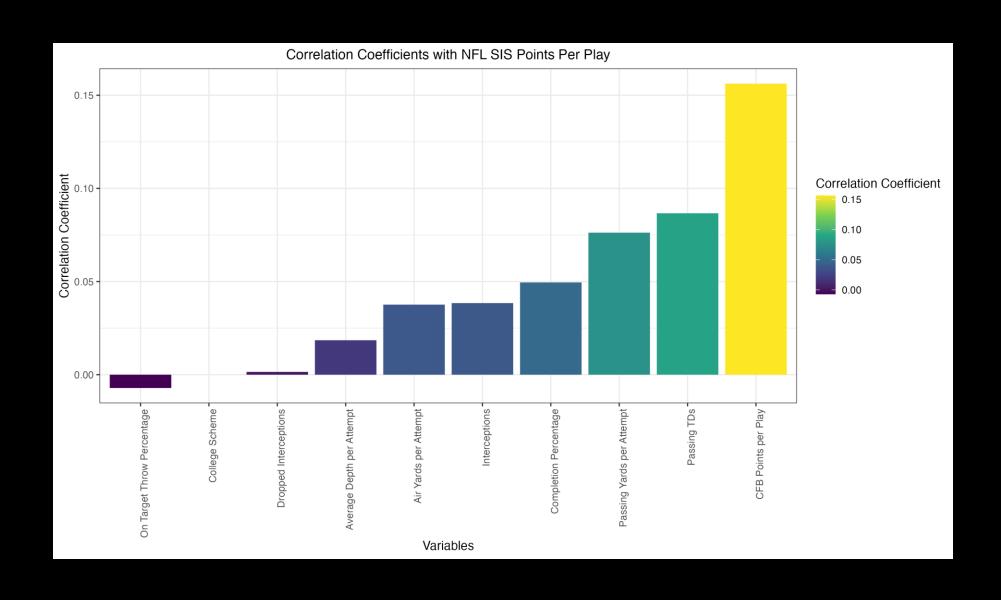
Risk Profile Analysis



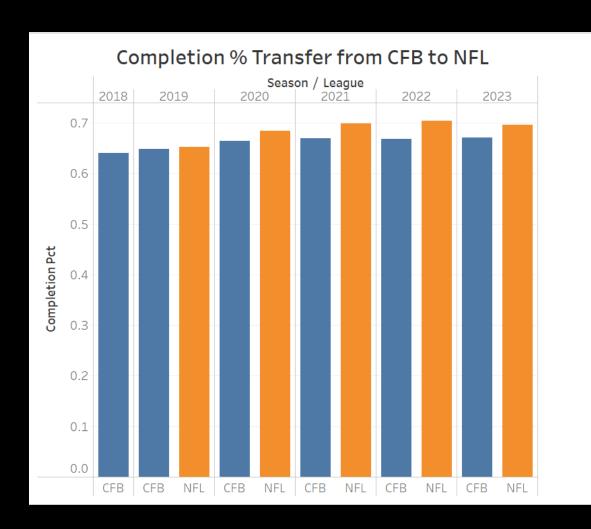
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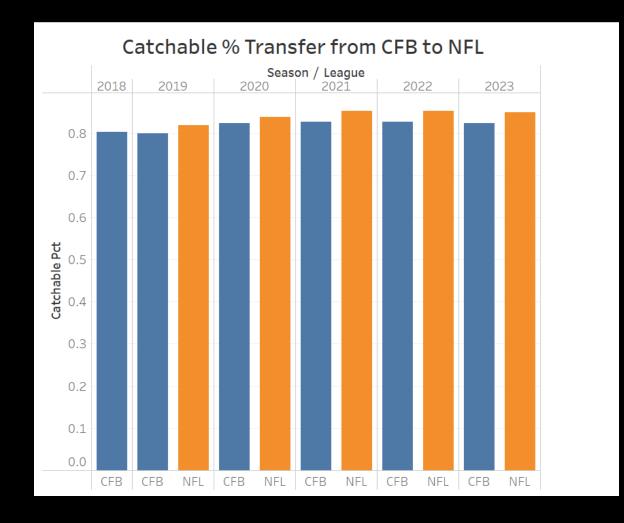
Player Average Point Performance						
PLAYER	AVERAGE SIS POINTS	AVERAGE YEAR 1 PREDICTED POINTS	AVERAGE YEAR 2 PREDICTED POINTS	AVERAGE YEAR 3 PREDICTED POINTS		
Caleb Williams	0.3655149	0.08583528	0.14755656	0.14755656		
J.J. McCarthy	0.3123510	0.09946769	0.14230075	0.14230075		
Drake Maye	0.2991260	0.12864693	0.12275914	0.12275914		
Jayden Daniels	0.2785836	0.06423299	0.09354325	0.09354325		
Michael Penix Jr.	0.2722479	0.15980988	0.18570911	0.18570911		
Bo Nix	0.2295981	-0.10517550	-0.05832055	-0.05832055		

Transferable Results

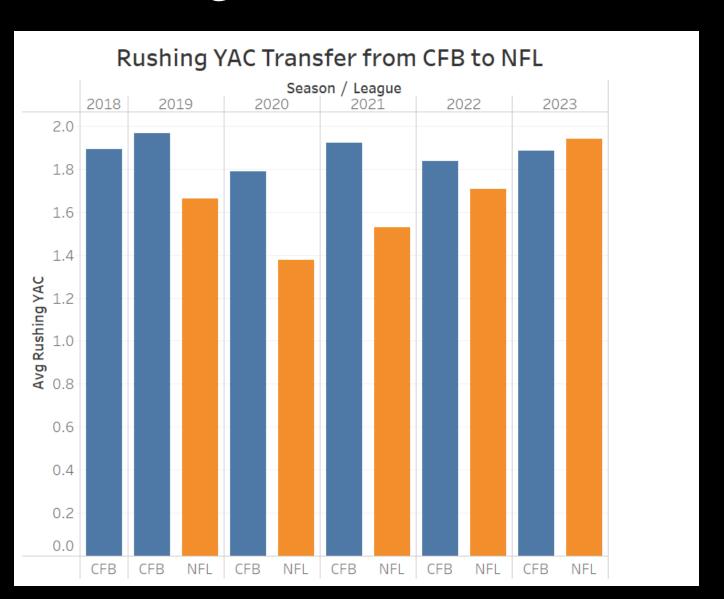


Transferable Traits





Trending Transferable Traits



Possible Improvements

Data Selection

Analysis Metric

Feature Selection

Iterative Refinement

Alternative Methods

Questions?