DS4EPL

Introduction to data science

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Introduction

- The Premier League (EPL) is the most watched football league in the world
- Analysis EPL
 - Player
 - Match
 - o Club



Dataset

- Dataset crawled from: https://www.premierleague.com
- From season 93/94 now
- Comprise:
 - o Player stats: appearances, goals, saves, ...
 - o Match stats: result, passes, ...
 - Club stats: goals, penalty, ...
 - Rank



Process

- Crawl data
- Clean and Preprocess data
- Visualize
- Model and evaluate

NaN problems:

- Player: Discard if 0 appearances, Replace with mean
- Match: Replace with mean

Approach

- Player analysis
- Match analysis for season 20/21
- Club analysis for season 20/21
- Specific club all season

Player stats

- > 20 features for players
- 6589 players

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622	Gareth Barry	653.0	576	Alan Shearer	260.0	F
508	Ryan Giggs	632.0	1359	Wayne Rooney	208.0	F
478	Frank Lampard	609.0	502	Andrew Cole	187.0	F
381	David James	572.0	1605	Sergio Agüero	184.0	F
1612	James Milner	568.0	478	Frank Lampard	177.0	М
591	Gary Speed	535.0	3131	Thierry Henry	175.0	F
307	Emile Heskey	516.0	1822	Harry Kane	167.0	F
874	Mark Schwarzer	514.0	358	Robbie Fowler	163.0	F
369	Jamie Carragher	508.0	717	Jermain Defoe	162.0	F
524	Phil Neville	505.0	360	Michael Owen	150.0	F

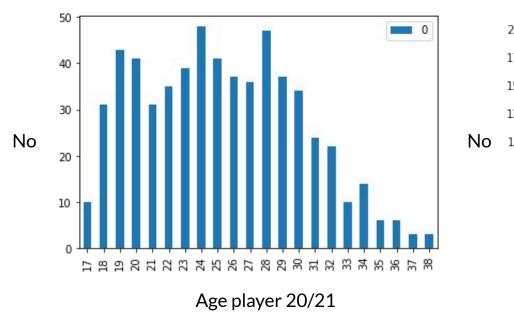
Player rank

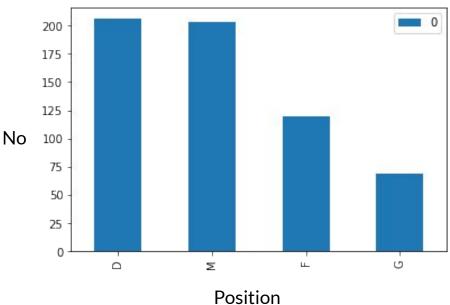
- Score player using stats
- Position score:
 - o GK
 - o DF
 - \circ MD
 - \circ FW

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131	Petr Cech	1.000000
163	Joe Hart	0.999905
371	Ederson	0.999881
151	Pepe Reina	0.999876
146	Tim Howard	0.999859
186	Hugo Lloris	0.999854
216	Manuel Almunia	0.999849
140	David de Gea	0.999849
202	Simon Mignolet	0.999848
254	Edwin van der Sar	0.999846

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483	Nemanja Vidic	1.734296e-07
690	Laurent Koscielny	4.870796e-08
544	Vincent Kompany	4.083123e-08
1268	Virgil van Dijk	3.401265e-08
519	Martin Skrtel	3.154186e-08
623	Jan Vertonghen	2.691776e-08
494	Brede Hangeland	1.870826e-08
484	Jonny Evans	1.866252e-08
697	Per Mertesacker	1.851745e-08
1379	Nicolás Otamendi	1.850814e-08

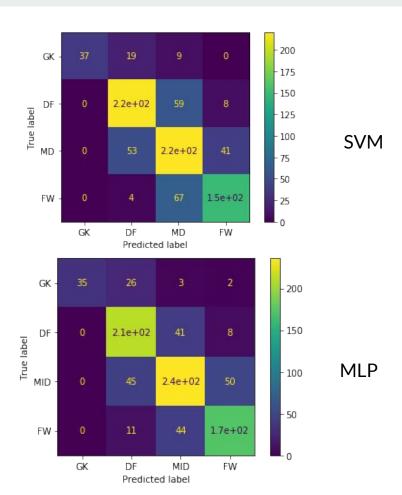
Age and Position distribution





Position prediction

- Input:
 - Player stats: 1 player 1 data point
 - Preprocessing
- Output
 - 4 classes: GK, DF, 'MD, FW
- Simple MLP head vs SVM
- 70% compared with 74%



Tsne for player space



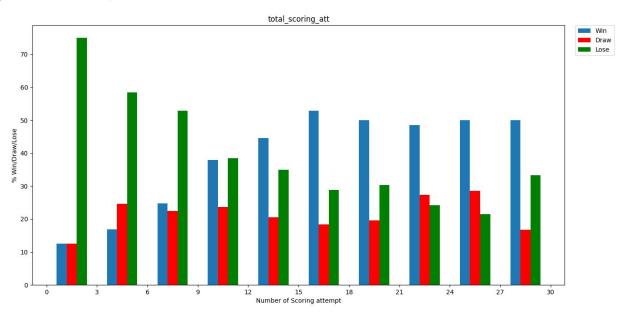
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Features after training simple head prediction

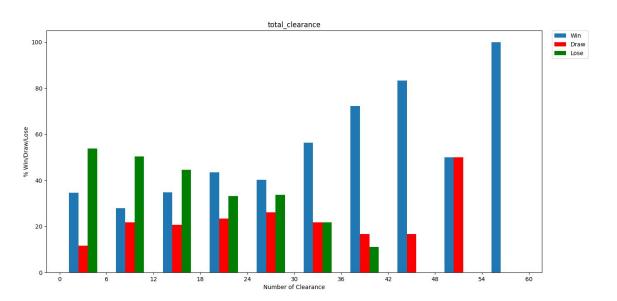
Match Stats 20/21



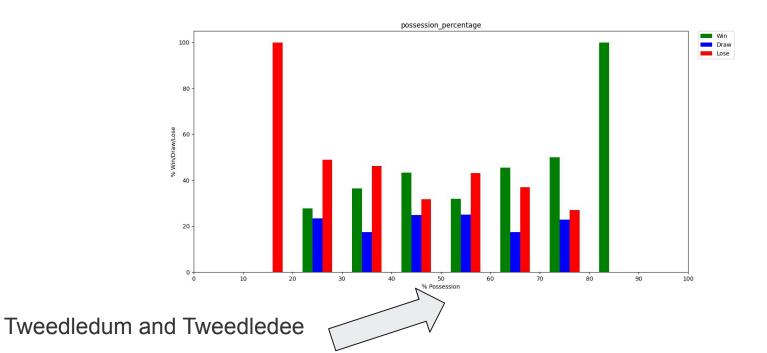
Scoring attempts determine wins



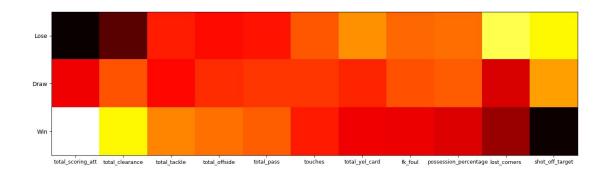
Clearance determine wins

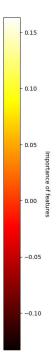


Possession determine wins

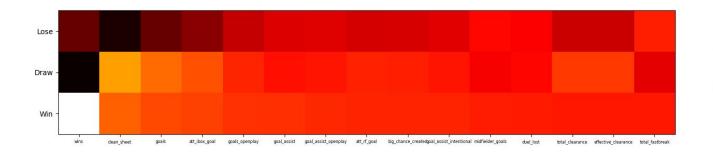


Factor for win

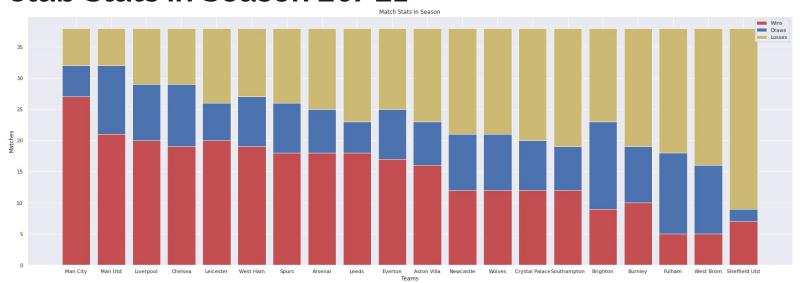




Factor for win with more features



Club Stats in Season 20/21































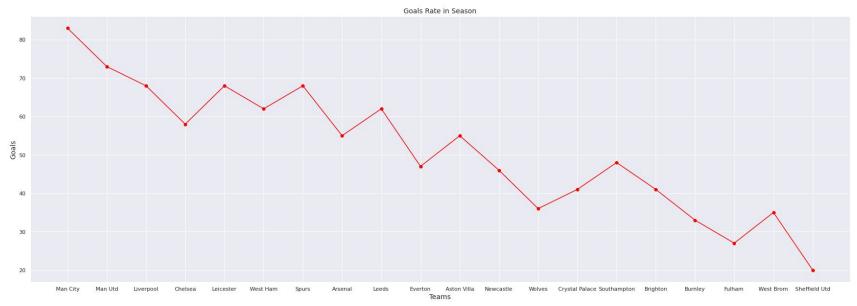






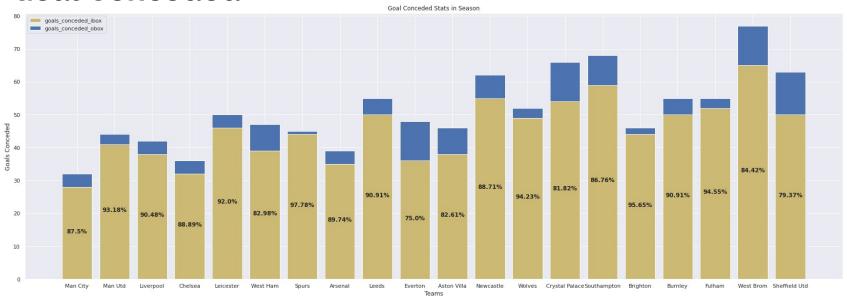


Goals



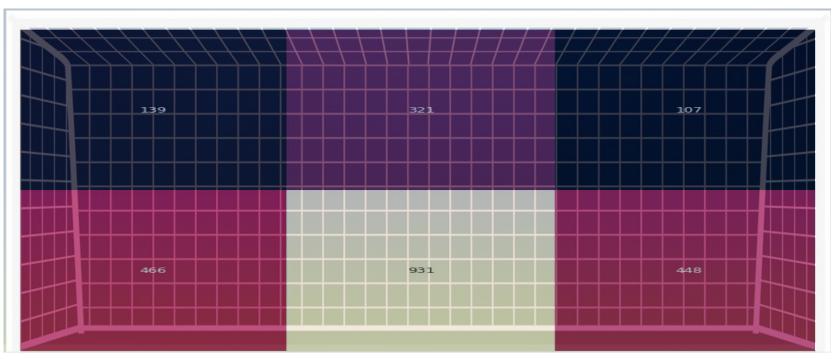
Number of goals tends to decrease with each team's position

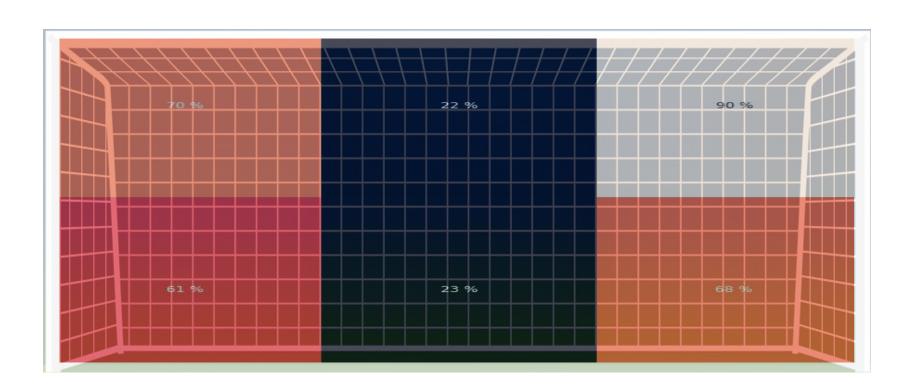
Goal Conceded



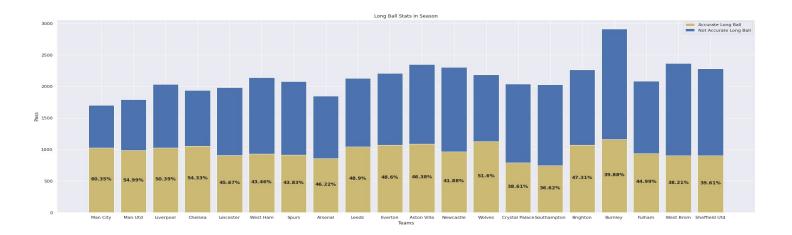
- Spur defenses outbox well
- All clubs conceded more goals inbox

Shot



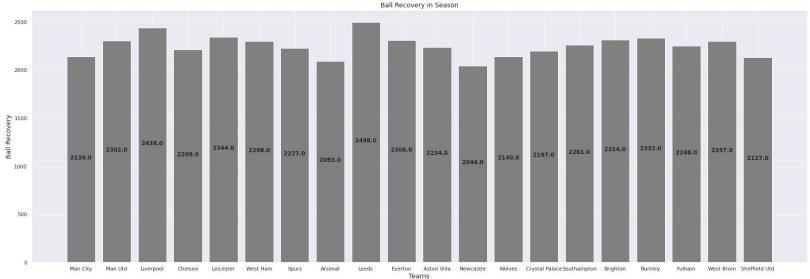


Long balls



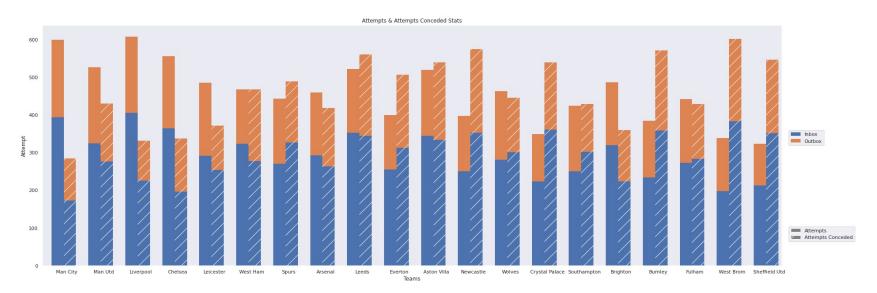
- Fast
- Most used by weak clubs

Pressing



Liverpool and Leeds have the pressing style

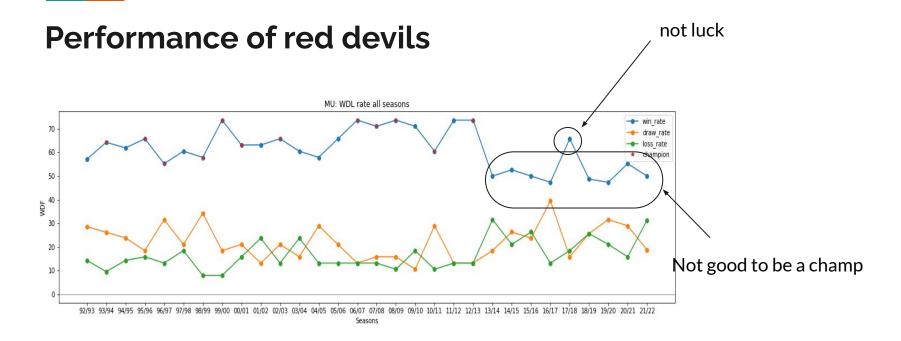
Attempt & Attempt Conceded



Top teams created more chances than they gave

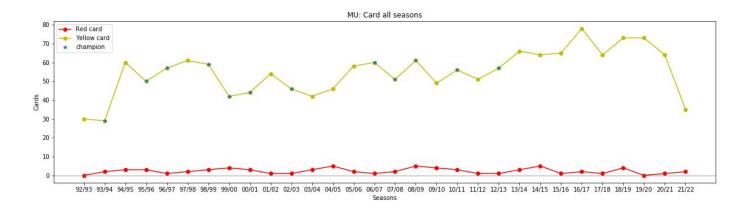
Manchester United stats





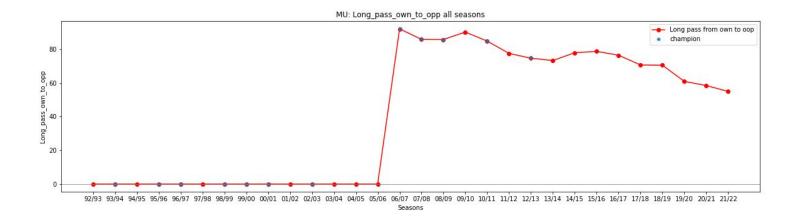
Worse performance after Sir Alex time

Fouls Card



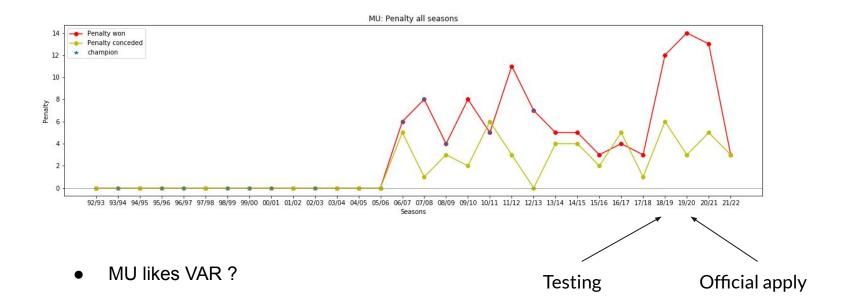
More aggressive than Sir Alex time

Long pass

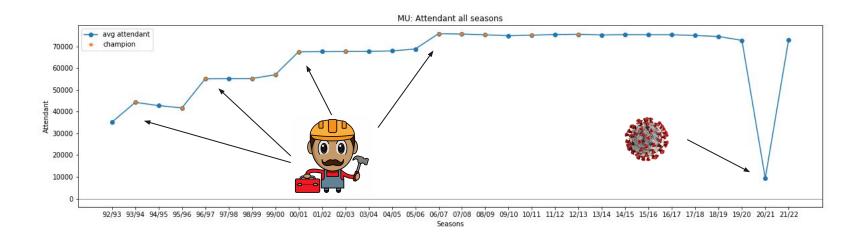


One more times, Long ball still is not the trend

VAR impact

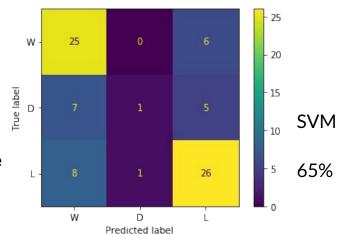


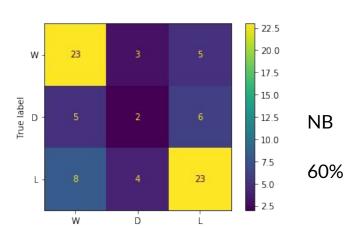
Theater of dreams



Match prediction

- Using 80% match to predict the rest 20% according time
- Input for predictions:
 - Head to Head
 - Player stats in line up
- Output:
 - Win, Draw or Lose
- Metrics: Accuracy
- Result:
 - Hard to determine draw





Summary

- Get the stats of the EPL teams and the statistics of the seasons.
- Data visualization to comment on statistics for certain seasons and teams
- Use some basic machine learning model to predict and evaluate.

Thanks for listening

