MANCHESTER UNITED vs LEEDS Analysis

Players to look out for:

* Rashford
* Pogba / McT linkup with defense
* Greenwood
* Chong
* Pereira

Rashford and Greenwood:

* Heatmap
* Position on the pitch – (show left and right and dropping deeper)
* Tracking back
* Statistics
* Interchanging james, rashford and greenwood.
* Rashford and greenwood switched after 20’

Pogba vs McT:

* Heatmap
* Indicate how deep pogba was (lots of images)
* Good tracking back pogba
* Stats of McTominay

Martial

* Heatmap
* Dropping deeper
* Making runs
* Strength not enough (Duels lost statistic)

Fullbacks

* Both sides + heatmaps (1st half only)
* AWB hugging touchlines, Rojo made underlaps

Susceptibility to counter attacks in this formation

* In two man midfield, no one to cover
* The one who covers is pogba
* System will not work against premier league teams

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THREAD – Manchester United vs Leeds United analysis (of sorts).

This is going to be a long read. Let’s get started!

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PART 1 – Rashford and Greenwood.

Here is Rashford’s heat map. Even though he was deployed as a striker, he drifted towards the left. In fact, around the 22’ minutes, him and Greenwood switched positions.

<rash\_heat.jpg>

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In the goal he scored, Rashford and Greenwood were both on the opposite flanks. After a while, they switched positions. In the second image, Rashford is receiving the ball from AWB on the right flank.

<rash\_counter\_goal>

<rash\_right\_side>

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As evident from the heatmap, Rashford also dropped much deeper, to pick up the ball. Here is one instance.

<rashford\_dropping\_deeper>

Greenwood also made an excellent run into the box to score the goal.

<greenwood\_goal\_run>

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Rashford’s stats:

Shots / on target : 3 / 2

Passes / Accurate : 13 / 11

Duels / Won : 13 / 8

Dribbles / Succesful : 4 / 3

Greenwood’s stats:

Shots / on target : 2 / 1

Passes / Accurate : 15 / 13

Duels / Won : 14 / 5

Dribbles / Succesful : 1 / 1

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PART 2 – Pogba and McTominay

Both played in a midfield pivot, Pogba on the right hand side, and McT on the left.

<pogba\_heat>

<scott\_heat>

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Pogba did well to track back and cover for the defense.

<pogba\_tracking\_back\_1 &2>

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One thing I noticed was how deep Pogba played. In this instance, he’s picking up a ball from the defence.

<pogba\_deeper\_1>

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Another such instance.

<pogba\_deeper\_5>

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In this case, he could have easily let Lindelof take the free kick. But he insisted on taking it.

<pogba\_deeper\_3>

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Pogba drops back to cover for Bailly. You get the point.

<pogba\_deeper\_4>

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PART 3 – Martial and Gomes

Like Rashford, even though Martial played strike, he was all over the pitch. Gomes was given a free rein too.

<martial\_heat>

<gomes\_heat>

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Martial suffered a bit in this game. Apart from playing in a B team of sorts, he didn’t win his duels against the opposition. Here is an example from a goal kick. He had a good first touch with the ball, but wasn’t strong enough.

<martial\_duel\_lost>

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Another example where he eventually lost the ball.

<martial\_strength>

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Like Rashford, Martial dropped deep and made some decent runs.

<dropping\_deep>

<martial\_runs>

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Gomes played a good pass to put Chong through, which eventually won us the penalty.

<gomes\_through>

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PART 4 – Fullbacks

Here is a heat map of Rojo and AWB. Rojo going the full width of the pitch, while AWB staying back most of the times.

<rojo\_heat>

<awb\_heat>

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One more point of detail, was the number of underlapping runs made Rojo.

<lb\_underlap>

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PART 5 – Defensive Vulnerabilities

Leeds had quite some opportunities to hit us on the counter themselves. Look at this instance where Mata loses the ball. No midfielder can readily cover for the defense.

<mata\_loses\_ball>

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Another instance, this time with only 3 defenders.

<dm\_0>

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In this 4-2-3-1 system, it is clear that Pogba is the one who drops deep and defends. Regardless of how good the CB’s are, the midfield needs to shield the defense. A DM should be our next priority.

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THREAD END.

A quick summary:

* Initially Rashford was taking positions on the left side of the pitch, and Greenwood on the right. At about 22nd minute, they switched.
* Rashford dropped much deeper to link up play.
* Pogba and McTominay played in a midfield 2. Pogba on the right, and McT on the left.
* Pogba tracked back a lot to provide defensive cover.
* Pogba dropped very very deep in certain situations to do the defensive work.
* Martial, like Rashford, seemed to drift around the pitch.
* He could not cope with the physicality. But considering he was also playing with the B team, I’ll give him the benefit of the doubt.
* Gomes also had a free role, and provided the pass to Chong which resulted in the penalty.
* AWB seemed to stay in his own half for most of the time. Rojo also made a number of underlaps.
* Leeds had a number of opportunities to hit us on the counter. Our 4-2-3-1 relies upon Pogba to drop deep and defend.

Hello there. I am an incoming Fall 2019 Student at UCLA. Me and 3 other people are looking for a 2 bedroom apartment. I had a few questions.

1. How long is the lease?
2. We are planning to move in around September 3rd week, would that be alright?
3. Are there any other charges apart from the price quoted online?
4. Is there any sort of furnishing provided (Sofas, Beds etc)