



## FUNCTION

### Combination play in Wide Areas

- ✓ Designed to develop the understanding of players their roles and responsibilities in a specific area of the pitch
- ✓ How to play quickly into attacking options high in the attacking third.
- ✓ Provide development of varying options
- ✓ How to coach the team on primary, secondary and fringe players engaging all players in the session

## Functional Practice Combination Play in Wide Areas

### Set up

Defending Xs GK 3-2-1 + T

Attacking Os T - 1- 3 - 2

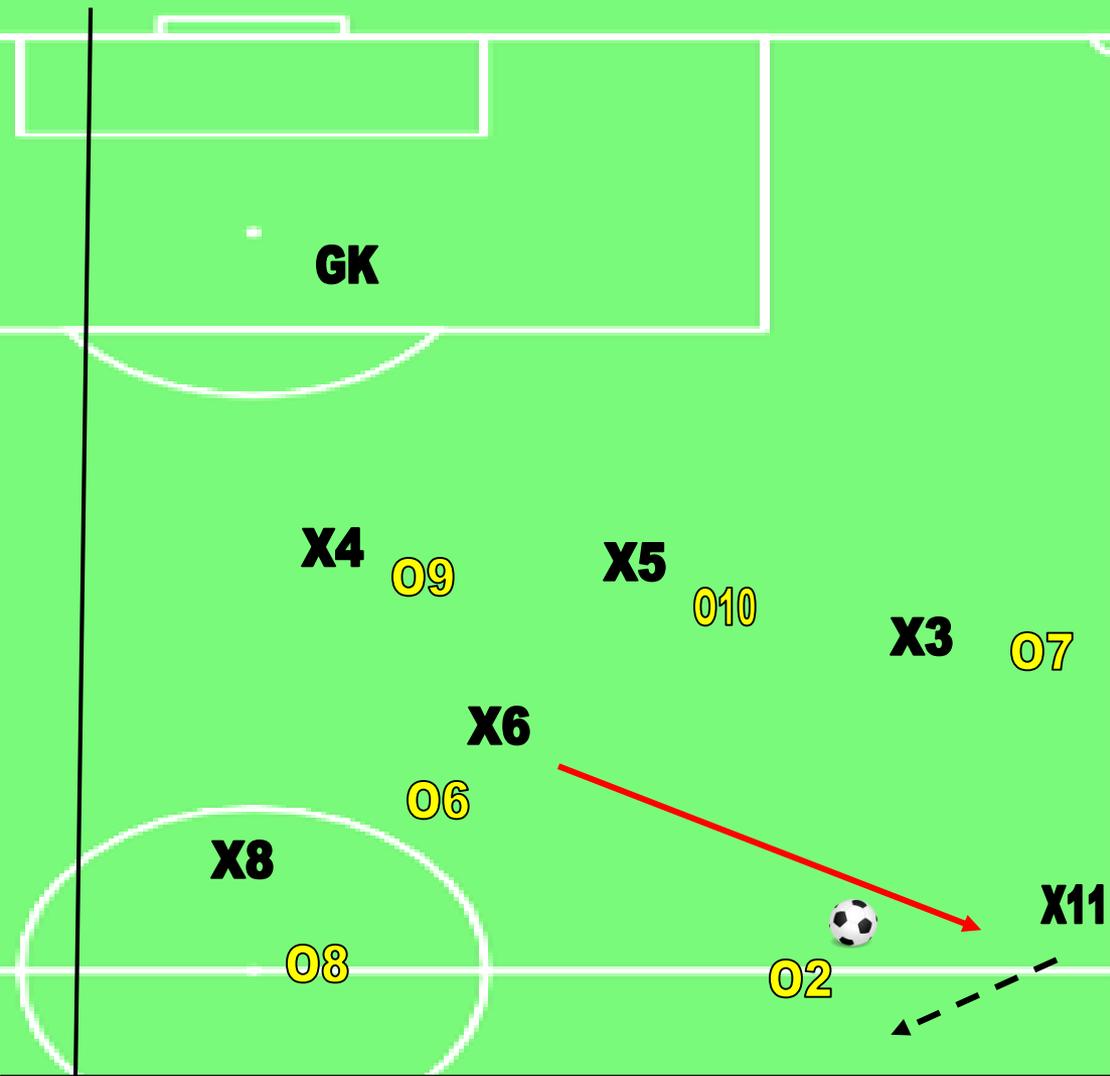
### Organisation

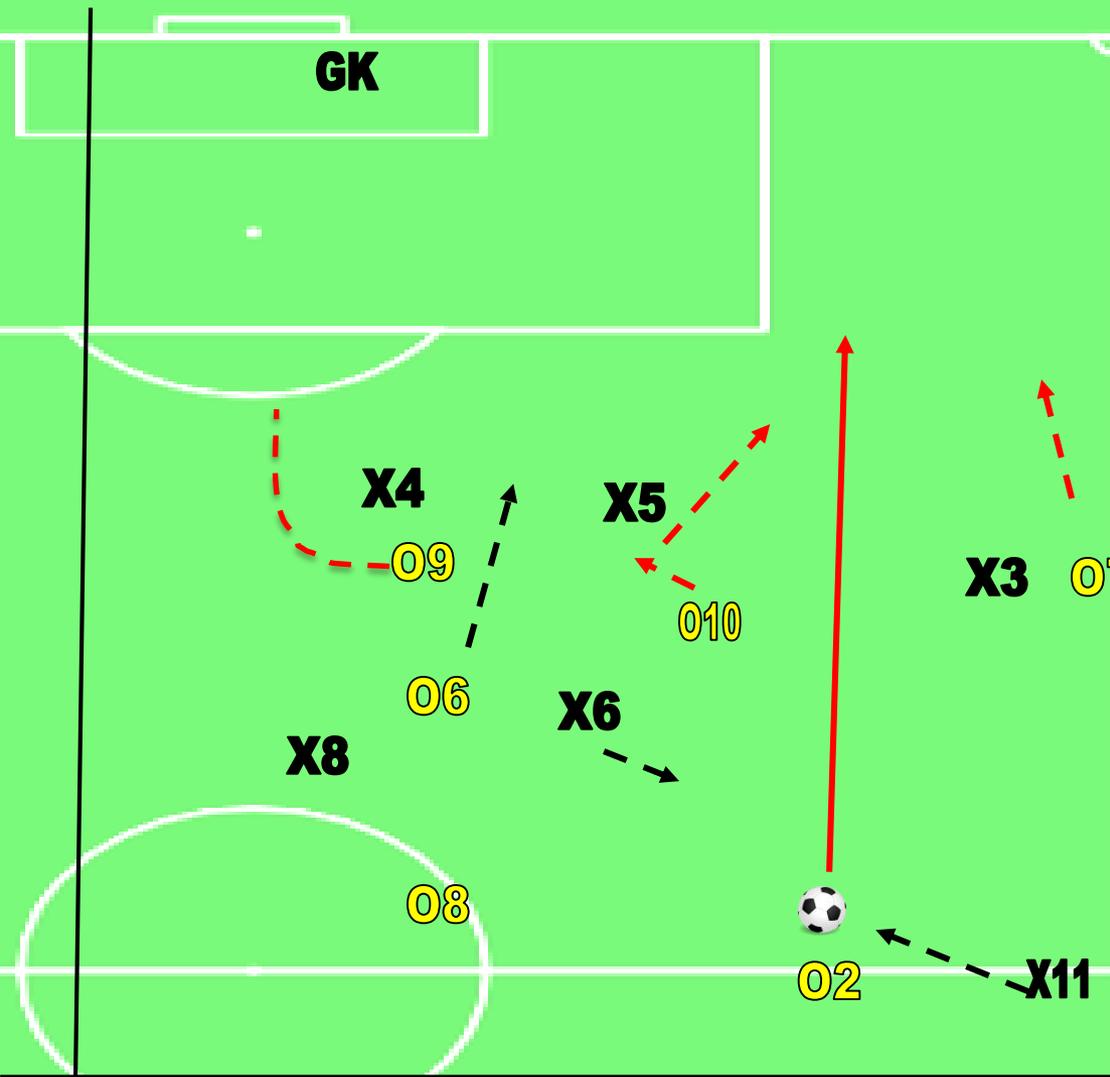
- The target player (T) can be used for both teams to recycle the ball and keep the game flowing, the defending team can score by passing to the target player.
- Area coned off 2-3 yards outside far post to eliminate Right Back
- Set up in the middle 1/3 of the pitch
- Coaching position behind **07**

### The Start Point No1

**X's are on the attack and moving forward**

- **X6** passes to the run of **X11** in behind **02**
- **02** intercepts and is now in possession pressured by **X11**





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**Scenario No1** **Exploit in Behind X3**  
01 has the ball pressed by X5 and X4

**Key Coaching Aspects**  
Movement of strikers off the shoulder when possession changes hands.

### **Primary Players**

- How 07 creates space to exploit space behind X3
- 010 spins off the shoulder in behind X5

### **Secondary Player**

- **09** moves off the shoulder high and wide across behind X4

### **Fringe Players**

- 06 Midfield support the attack with
- 08 holding

### **Focus Point**

The pass from 02 SHOULD be a ground pass if possible

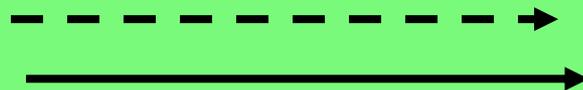




## Moment of Reflection

Can you create situations where your strikers can combine with wide players to exploit defenders

Quick approach play is vital



Path of the player

Path of the ball

## Confirmation or Learning

### Have the players?

- ✓ How players create space quickly on regaining possession.
- ✓ Understood how strikers have variation and options
- ✓ How wide players combine with strikers in attack
- ✓ How midfield players support

### Have you

- ✓ Provided the right technical information to achieve success in the session?
- ✓ Coached **primary, secondary and fringe players?**
- ✓ Corrected faults??????
- ✓ Planned variation of scenarios?