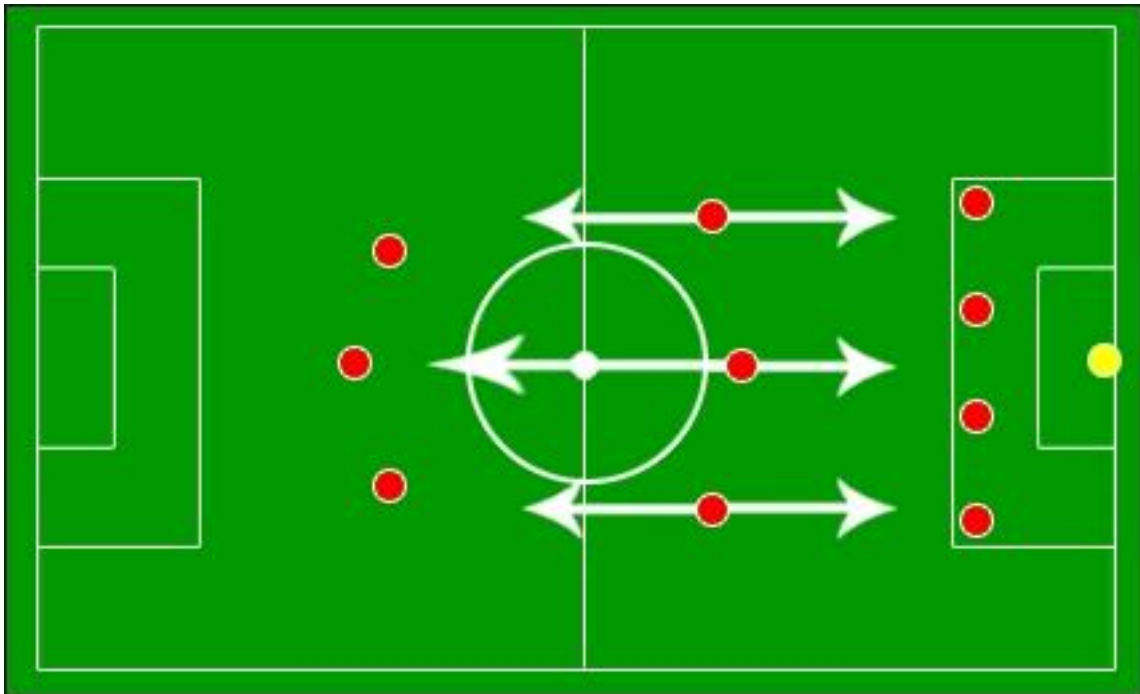




Soccer Tutors : Field Formation



FORMATION TYPE: FOUR-THREE-THREE

The 4-3-3 can also be used in "down" situations when your team needs to score but you are hesitant about combining your sweeper/stopper into one player.

With three forwards and three midfielders, you have the ability to flood the offensive third while on the attack, but you also know that you still have four defenders in the back if need arises.

This formation is widely regarded as encouraging defensive play, and should not be confused with the practice of modifying a 4-4-2 by bringing on an extra forward to replace a midfielder when behind in the latter stages of a game.