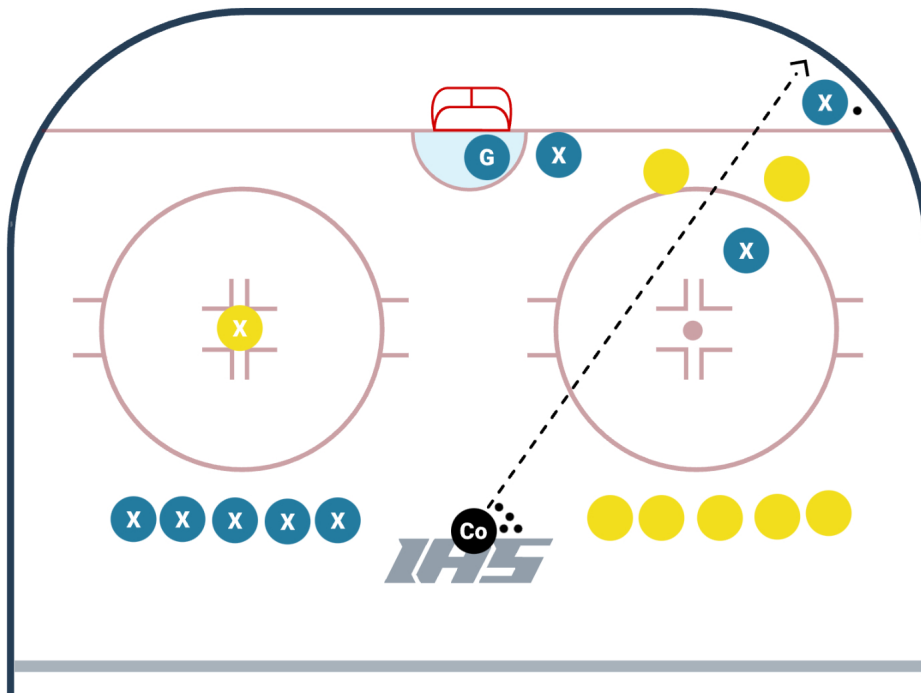


# 3 V 2 PUCK PROTECTION GAME



Time:

Station:



The 3 v 2 Puck Protection Game shared by [Daniel Paille](#) helps players practice down low offensive zone concepts.

## Setup

- Teams line up above top of the circle with O on one side and X on the other side.
- O will start on offense with 3 players vs 2 X defensive players. O's try to score staying on one half of the ice. If the defensive X players get the puck, they try to rim to their X teammate on weak side. The X player player can not release until puck reaches the weakside.
- When the defensive X's get it over to their weakside X player, the O's will change and new line of 2 O players play defense while another O waits weak side.
- The 2 X's join player on weak side for offense.
- The play continues if the offensive team scores, or the offensive team gets a shot on net.
- Offense is out if they miss the net on their shot or the defense rims the puck to their weakside player.

## Coaching Points

- Offense:
  - The high forward should jump in for support to outnumber the 2 defenders.
  - The forwards should support each other with close triangle support.
  - When offense gets the puck they should attack the net quickly.
- Defense:
  - Keep sticks on ice to block passing lanes and angle forward to the outside, away from the front of the net.