

2 UMPIRE MECHANISM

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MECHANICS CONCEPT

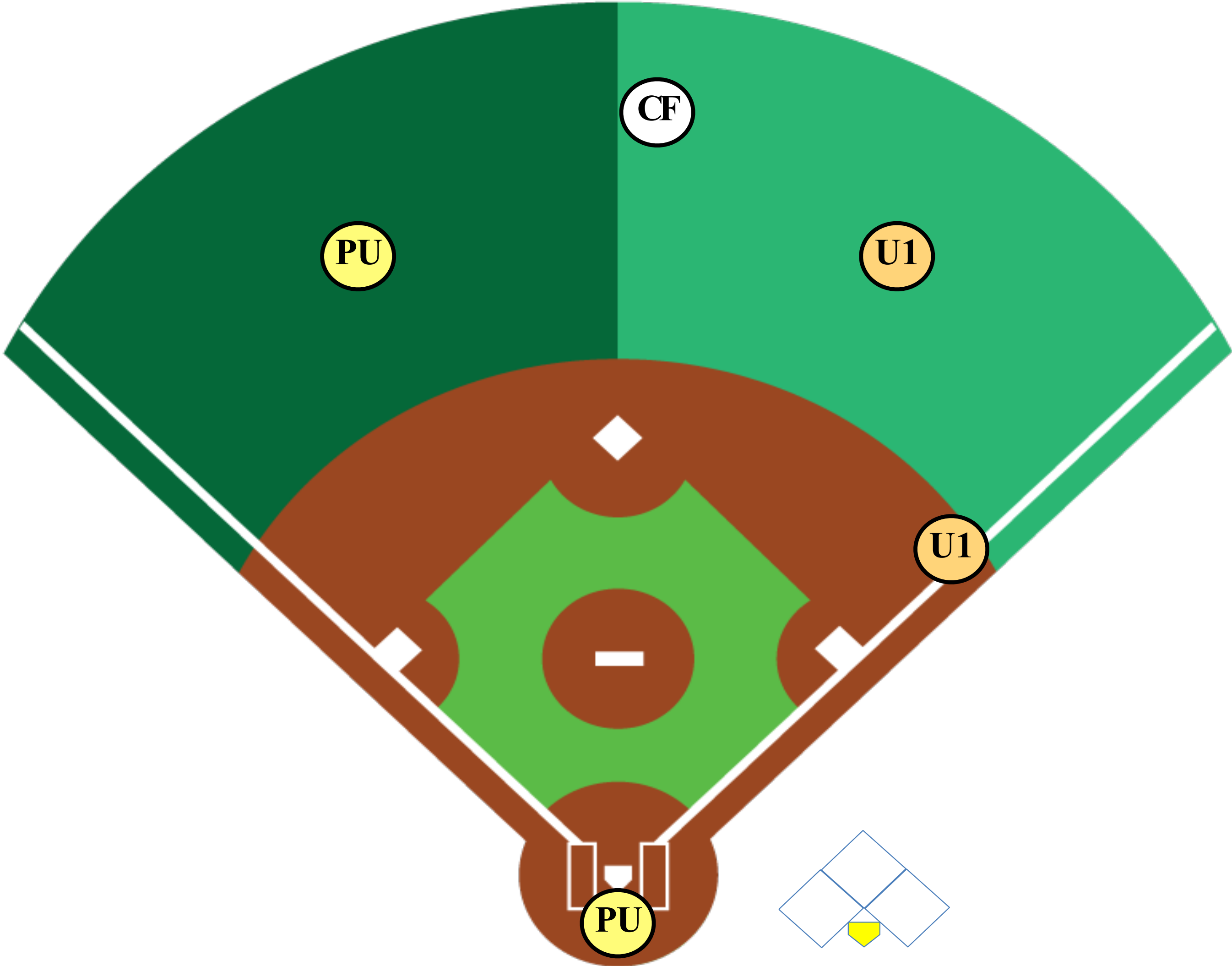
- UNLESS PU has Fair/Foul responsibilities on the 1B foul line, the PU rotates to third base in the following scenarios:
 - 1st base only – ALWAYS
 - 1st and 2nd – Fly ball, tag-up of R2
 - 1st and 3rd – Base hit
- PU has always all touches and tag-ups at third base, with the exception of the batter-runner
- U1 has all touches and tag-ups at first and second.
- With runners on base, U1 is presumed to have fly-ball responsibility until told otherwise by the PU
 - When PU takes responsibility on the 1st base foul line, PU communicates "I am on the line."
 - When PU takes responsibility on the 3rd base foul line, PU communicates "I've got the ball."
- Umpires MUST use both visual and verbal communication at all times.

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INITIAL POSITIONS & OUTFIELD COVERAGE

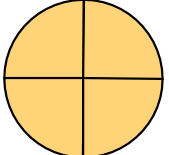
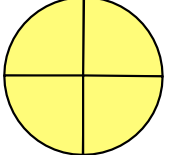
U1 HAS CF STRAIGHT IN, BACK, TO CF LEFT + ALL THE WAY TO RF FENCE.

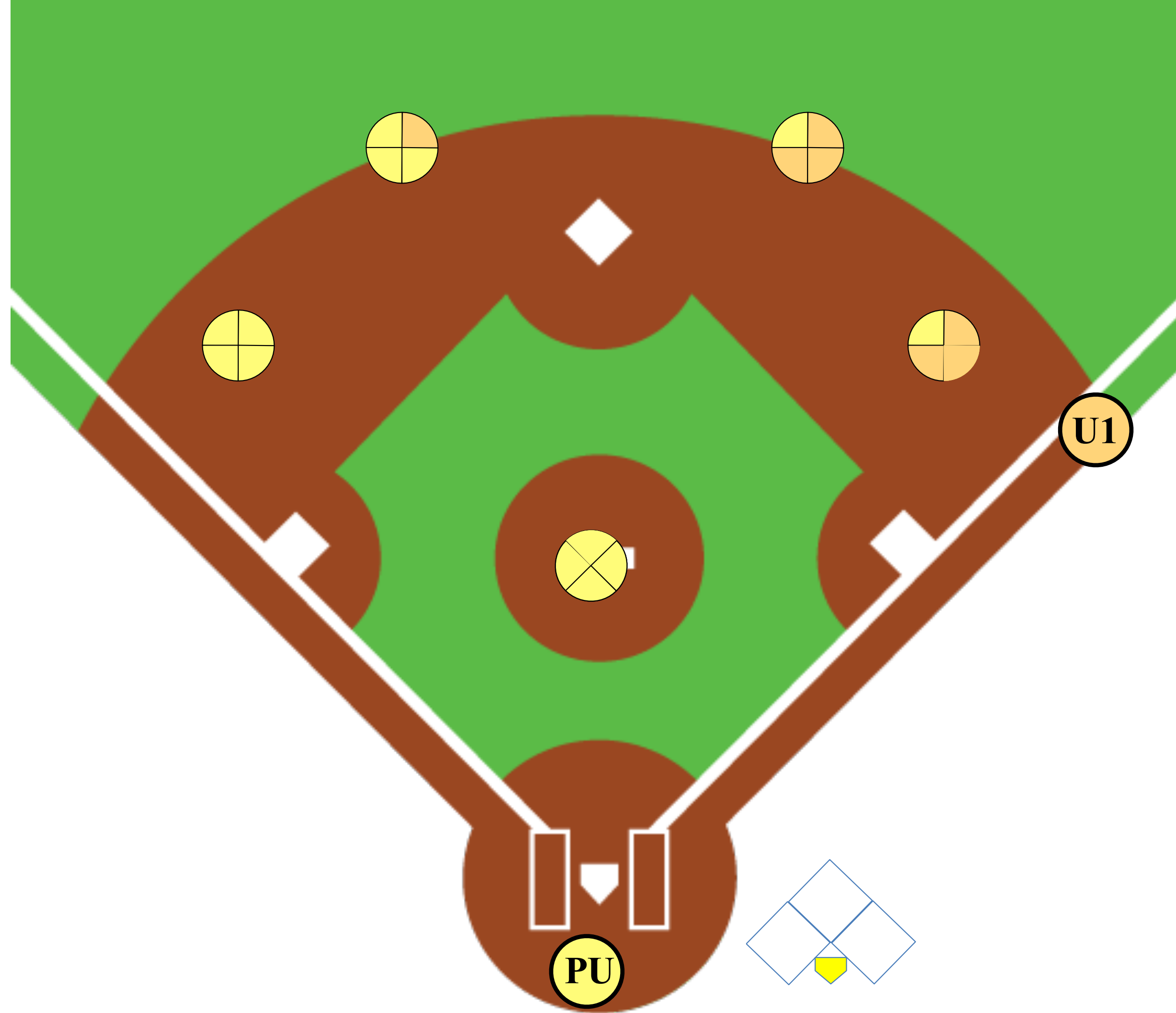
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- U1** 1st Base Umpire
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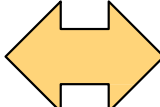
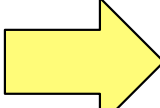
INFIELD CATCH COVERAGE

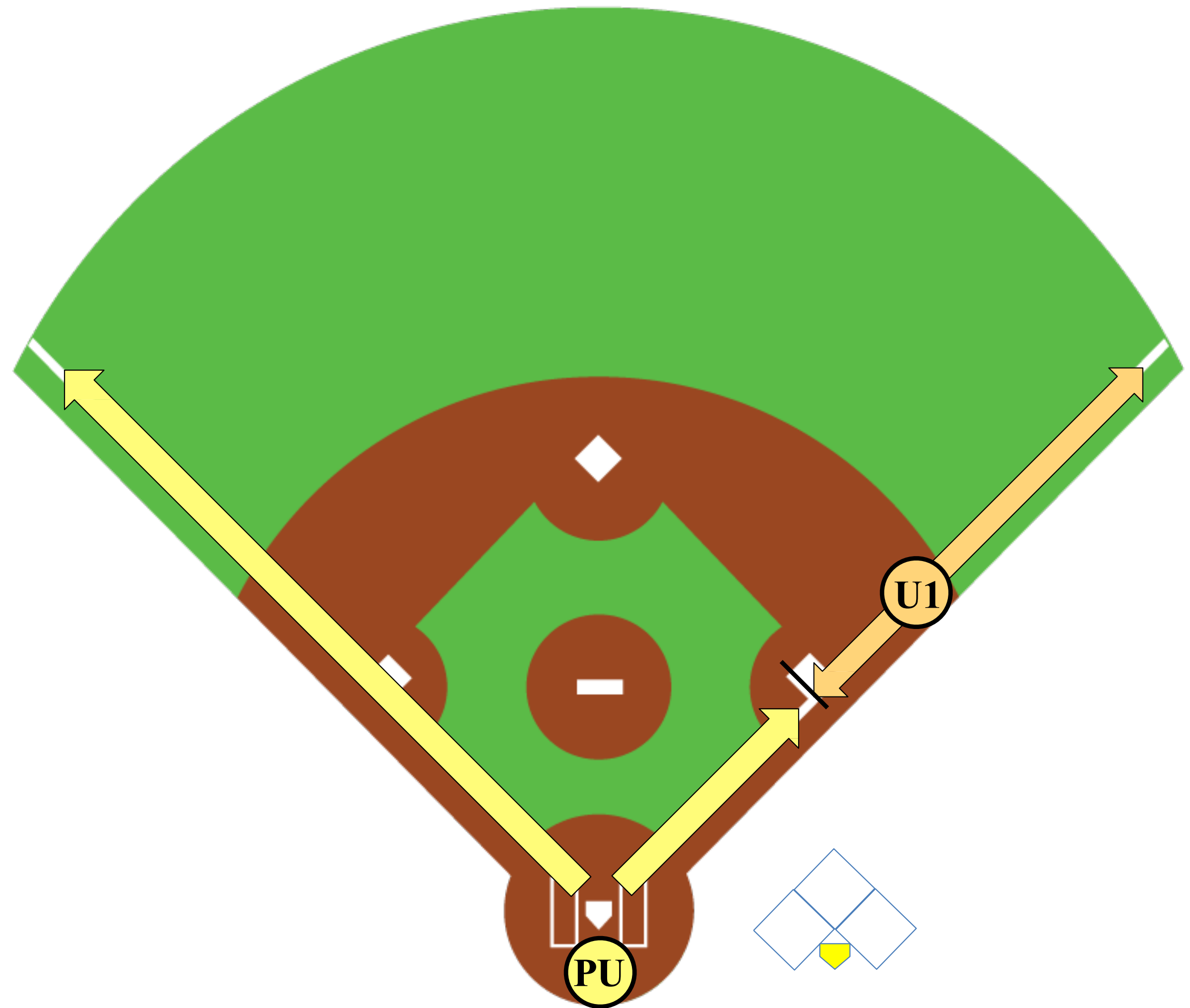
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FAIR | FOUL COVERAGE

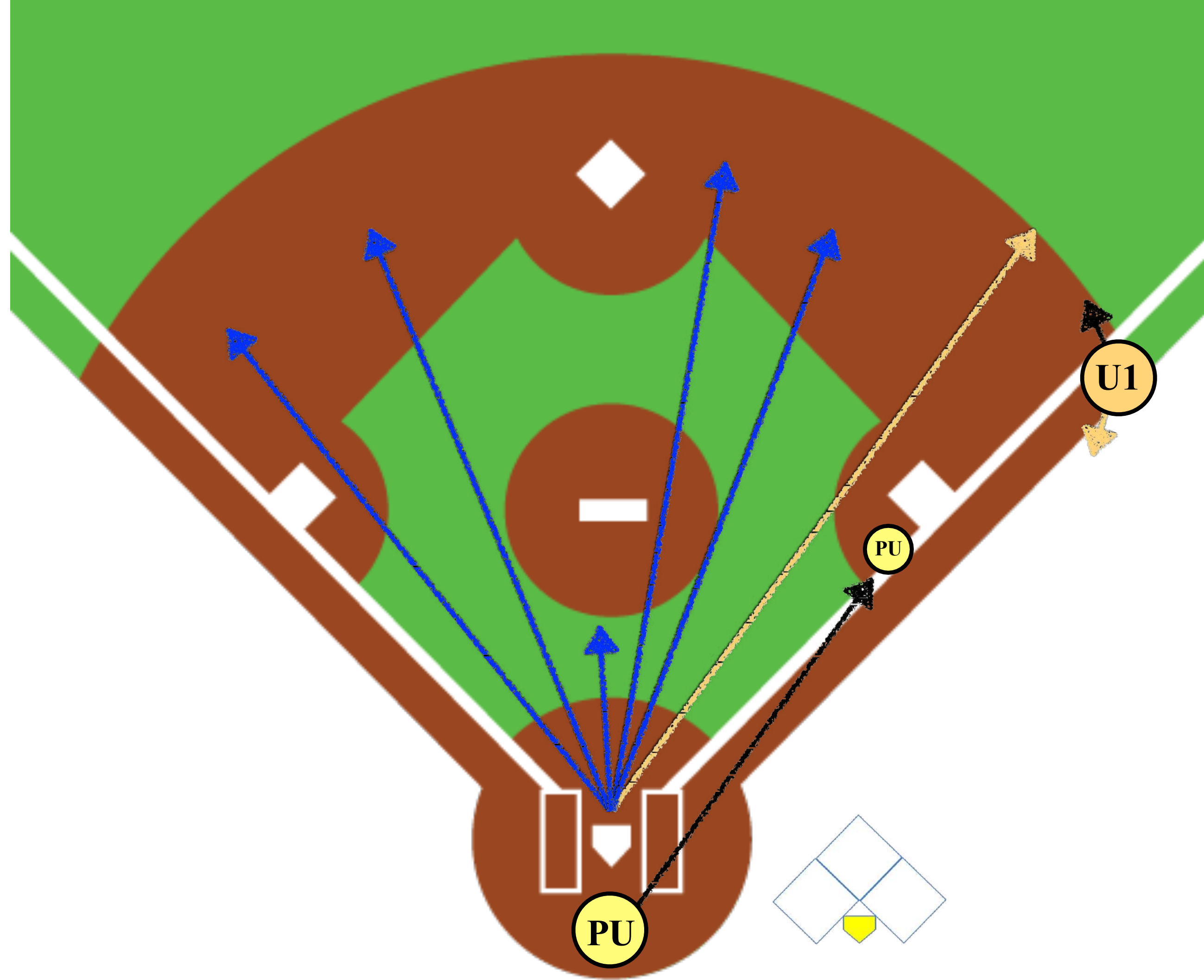
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COVERAGE FOR ALL
PLAYS IN THE INFIELD

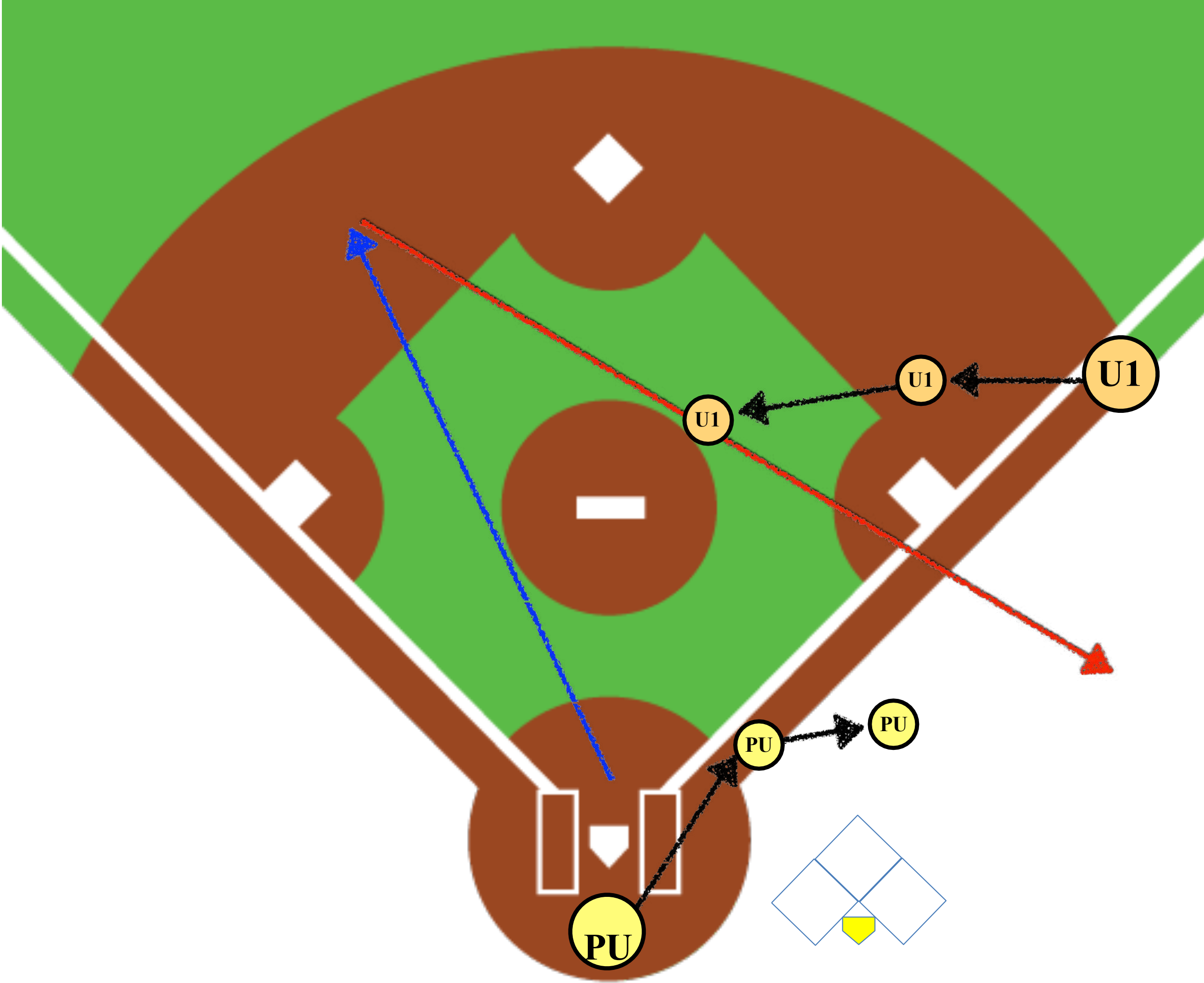
-  Ground Ball
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-  Home Plate Umpire



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COVERAGE IN INFIELD ON AN OVERTHROW

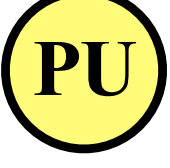
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-  Ground Ball
-  1st Base Umpire
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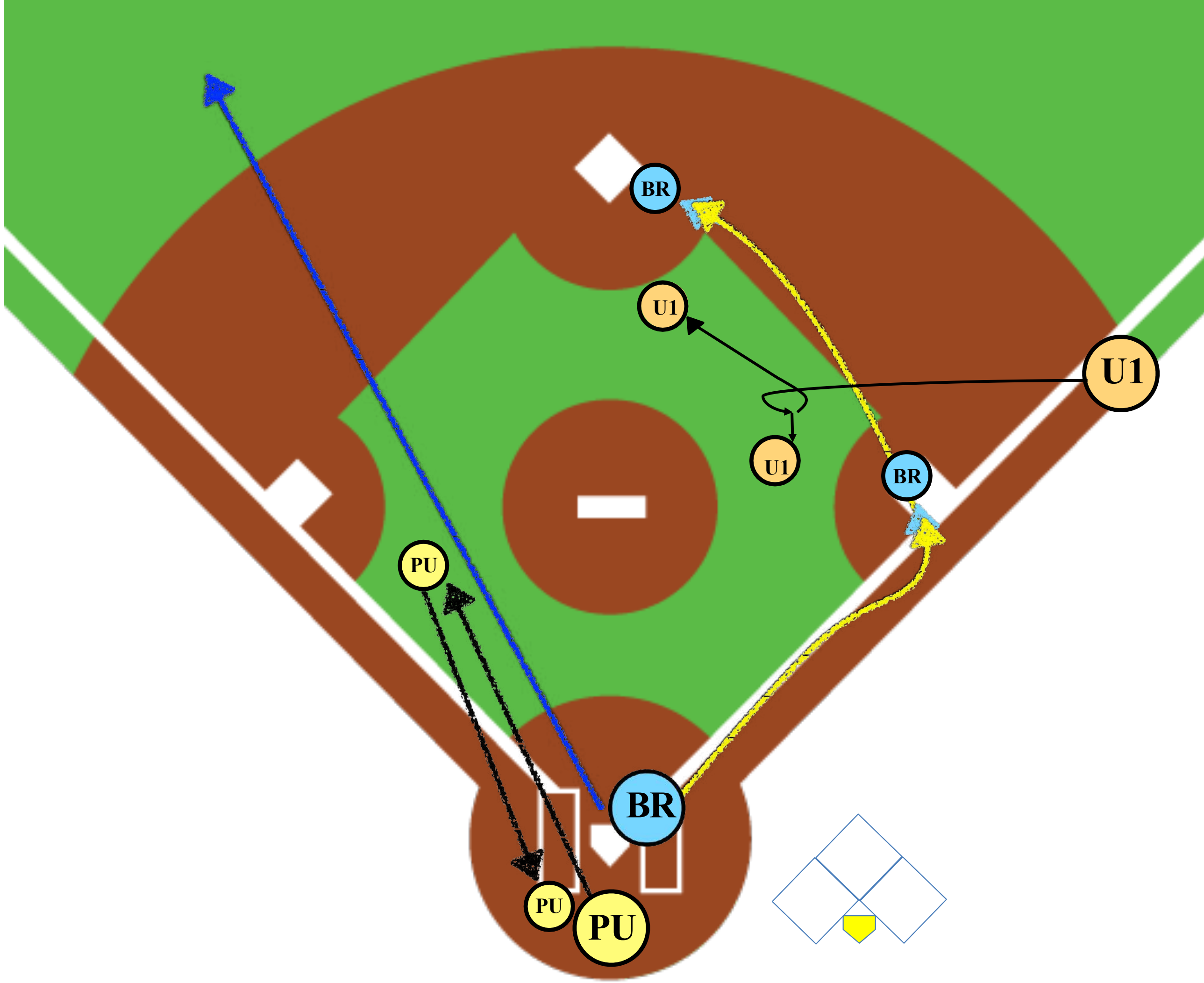


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CLEAN HIT TO THE OUTFIELD

- SINGLE
U1 PIVOTS, CHECKS RUNNER AND DROPS TOWARDS MIDPOINT OF THE 45 FOOT LINE
- DOUBLE
U1 PIVOTS AND CONTINUES WITH BR

-  Ground Ball
-  Runner's Path
-  Single
-  Ground Ball
-  Batter-Runner
-  1st Base Umpire
-  Home Plate Umpire

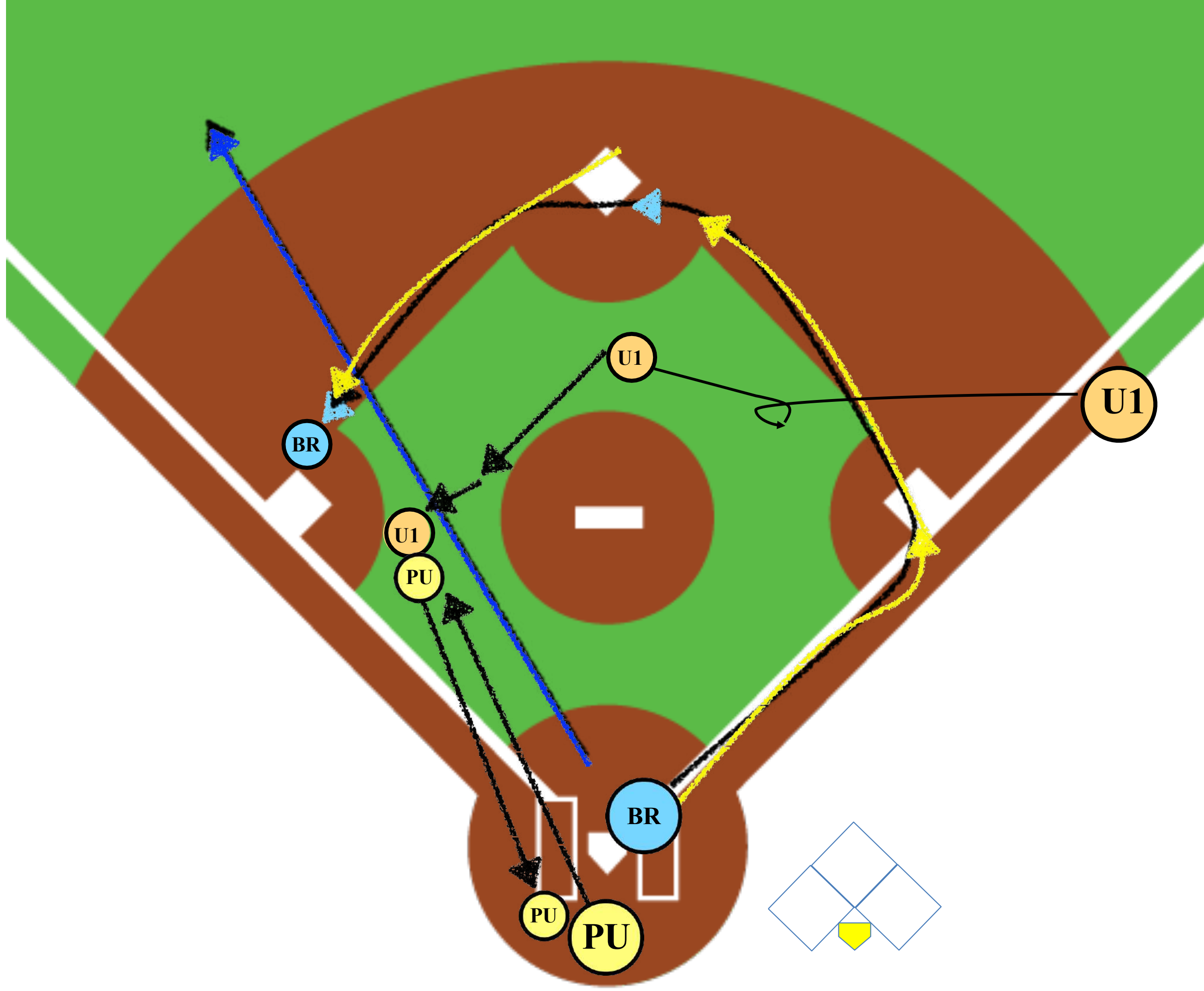


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CLEAN HIT TO THE OUTFIELD

- TRIPLE

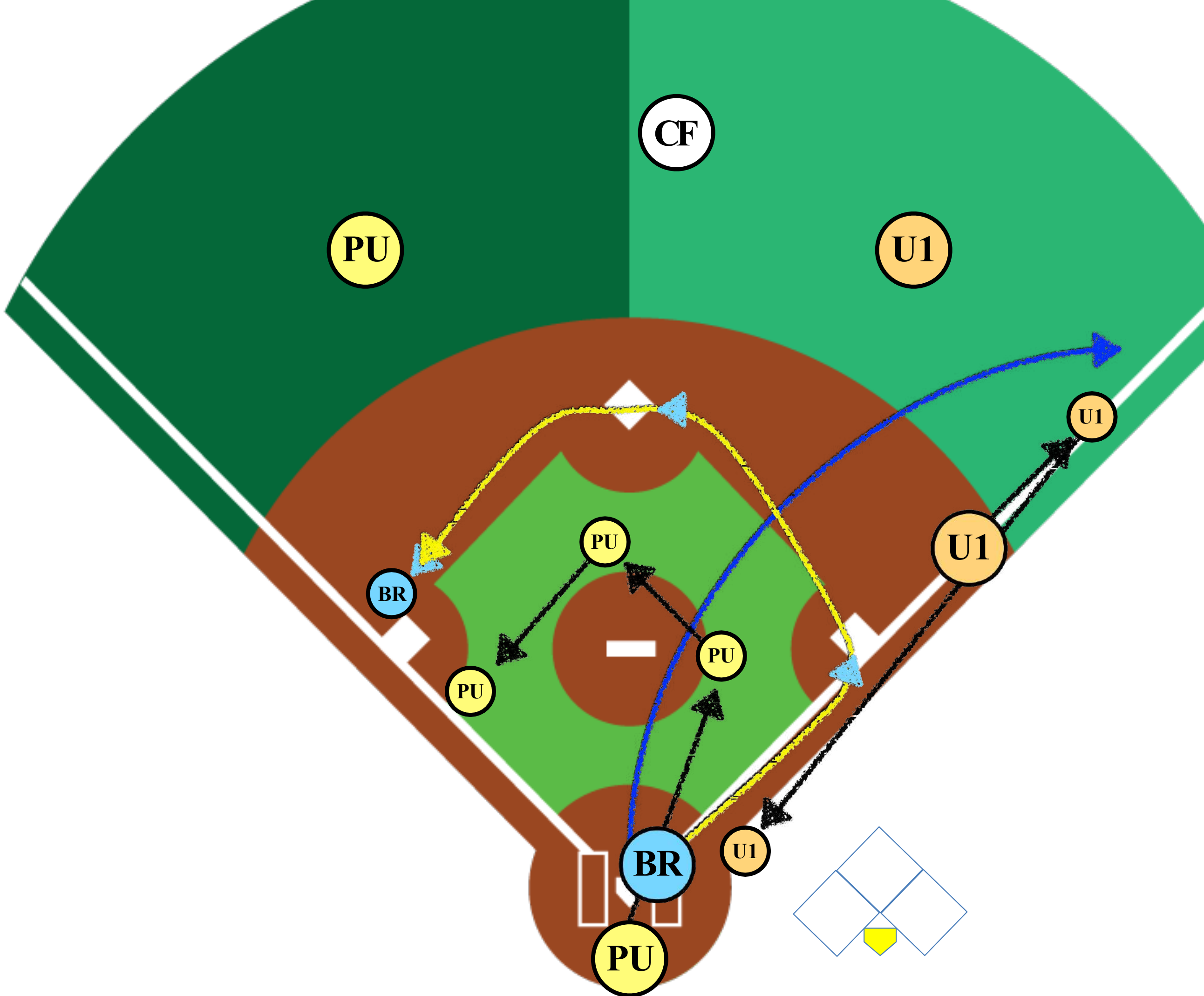
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-  Ground Ball
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-  Home Plate Umpire



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FLY BALL TO RIGHT FIELD – **NO CATCH**.
THE FIRST BASE UMPIRE GOES OUT ON
THE PLAY & ALSO HAS THE PLAY AT
THE PLATE, IF ABLE TO REACH POINT
OF PLATE. OTHERWISE, PU COVERS.

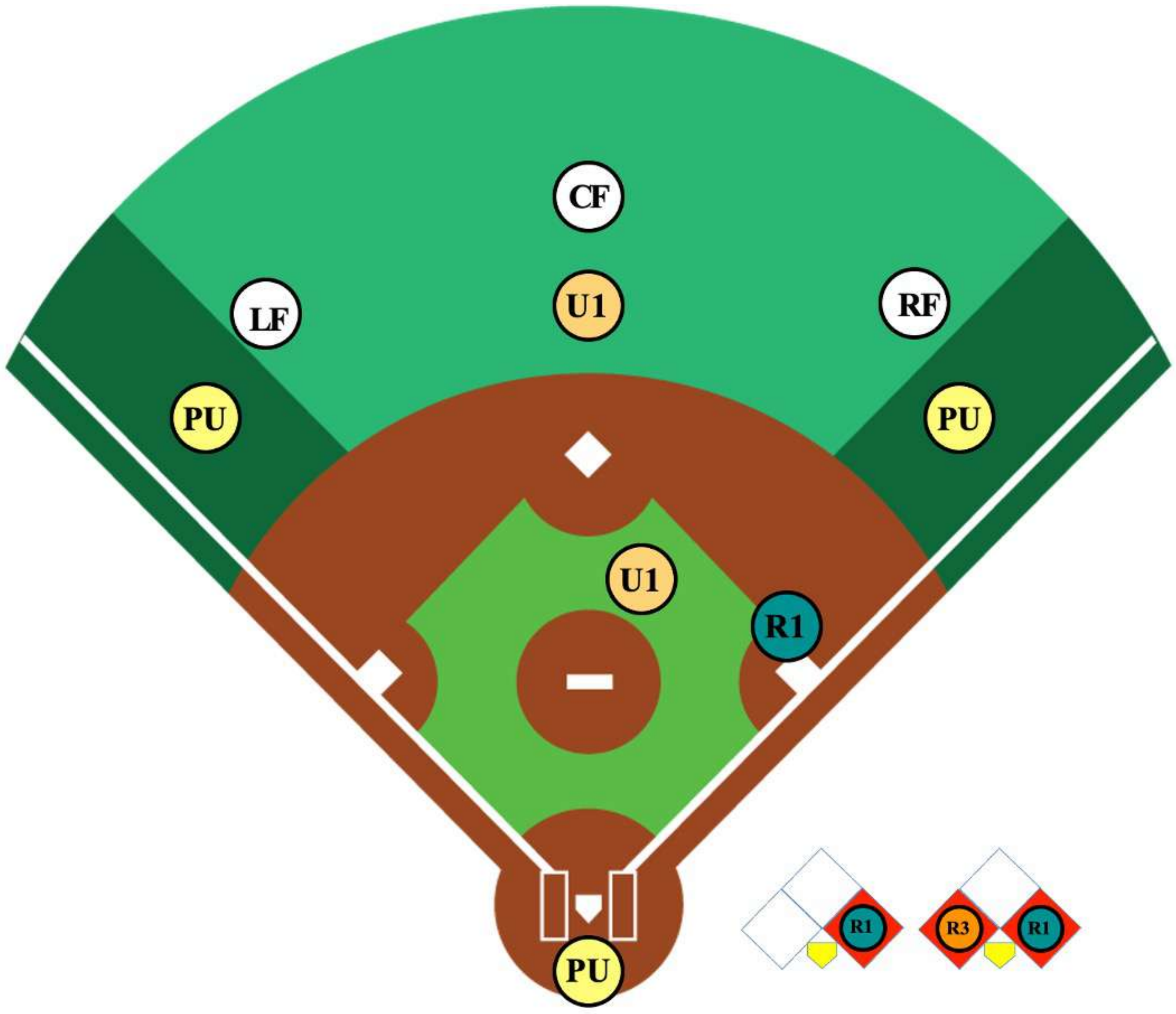
- CF** Center Field
-  Runner's Path
-  Fly Ball **NO CATCH**
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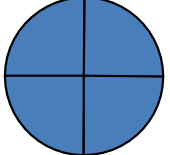
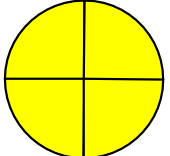
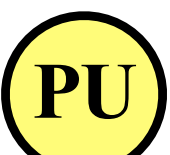
INITIAL POSITIONS OUTFIELD
COVERAGE WITH
RUNNERS ON 1ST | 1ST & 3RD

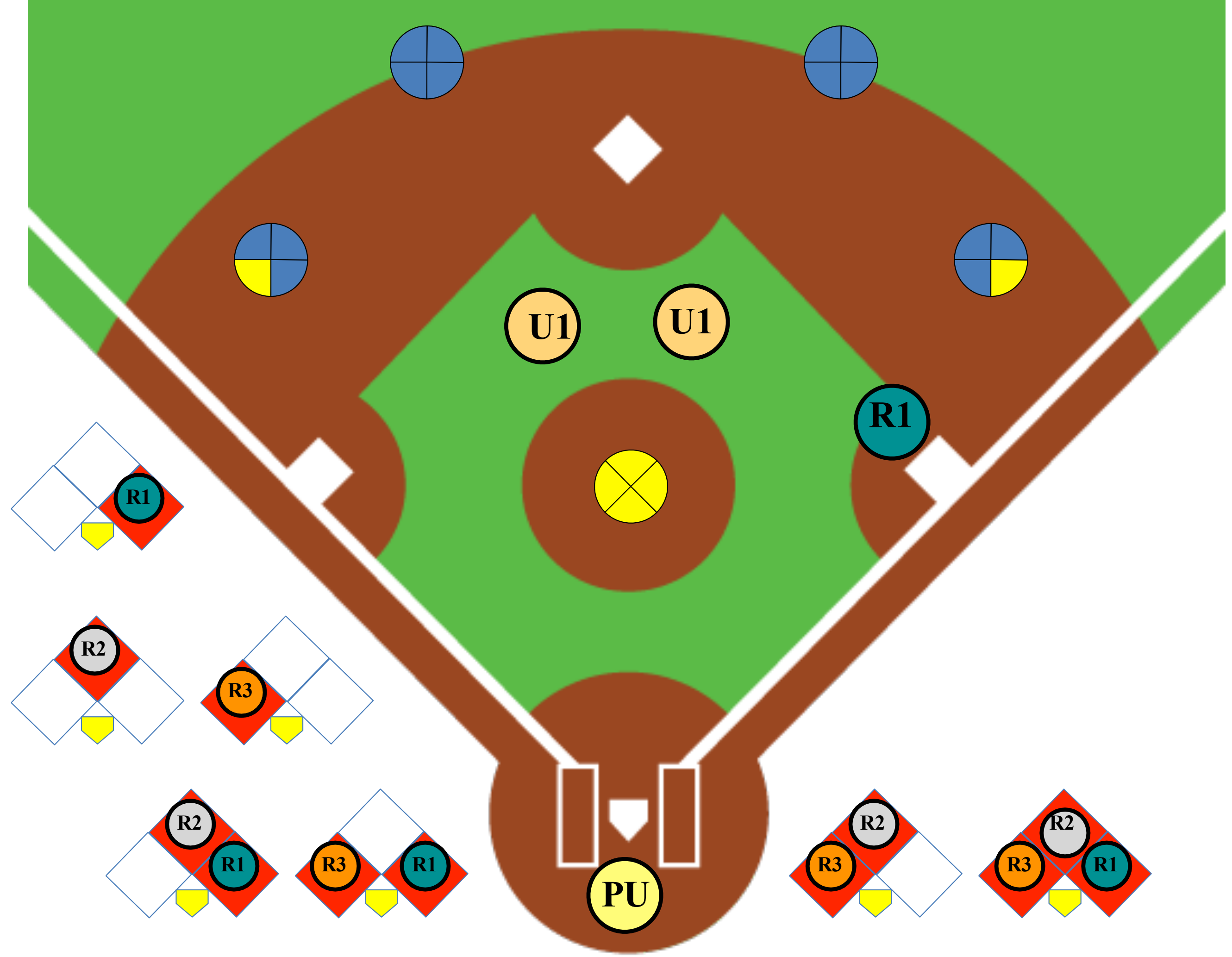
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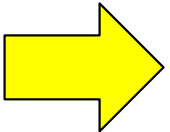
INFIELD CATCH COVERAGE WITH RUNNERS ON BASE

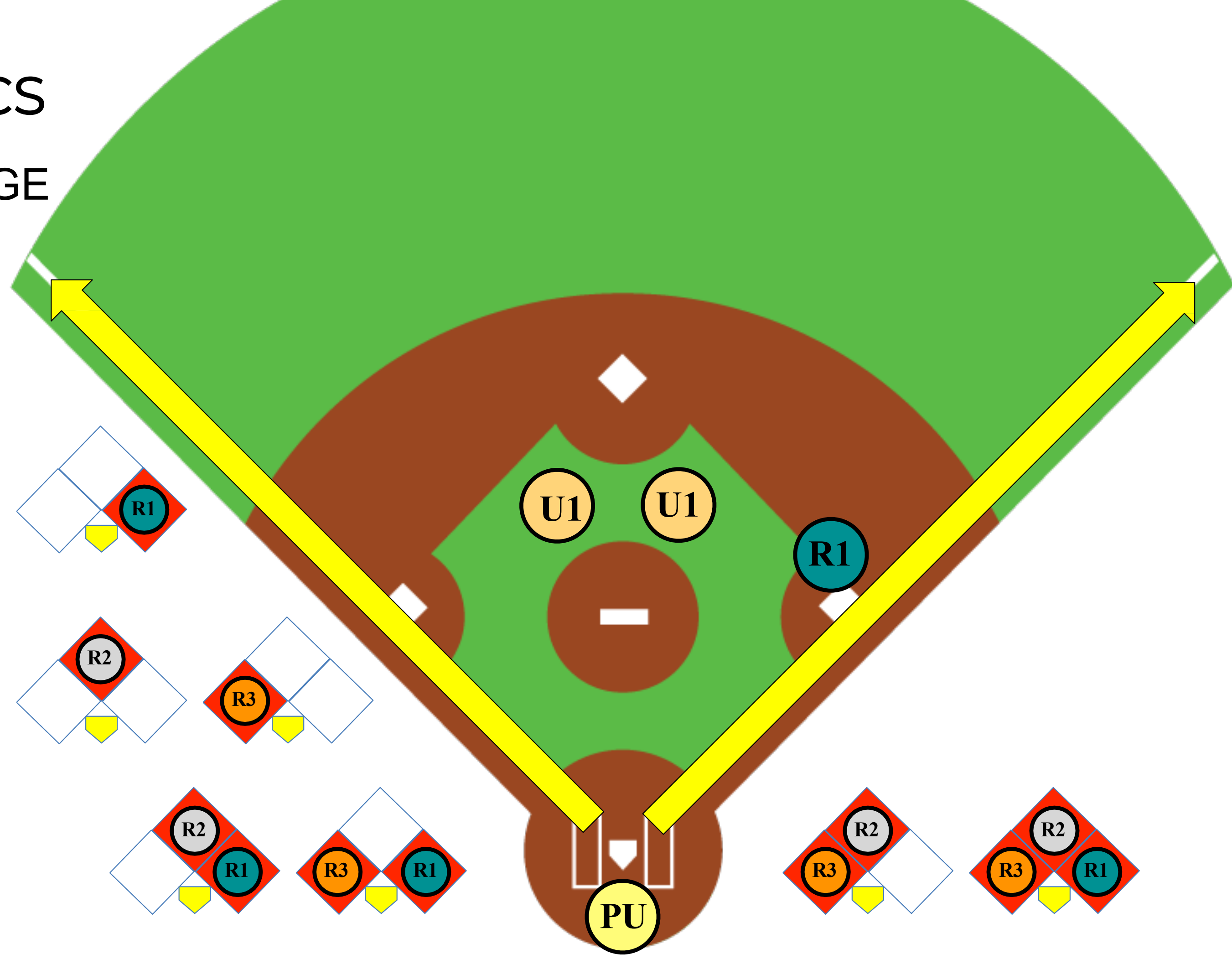
-  1st Base Umpire
-  Home Plate Umpire
-  Runner on 1st
-  1st Base Umpire
-  Home Plate Umpire



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FAIR | FOUL COVERAGE
WITH RUNNERS ON

-  Home Plate Umpire
-  Runner on 1st
-  1st Base Umpire
-  Home Plate Umpire

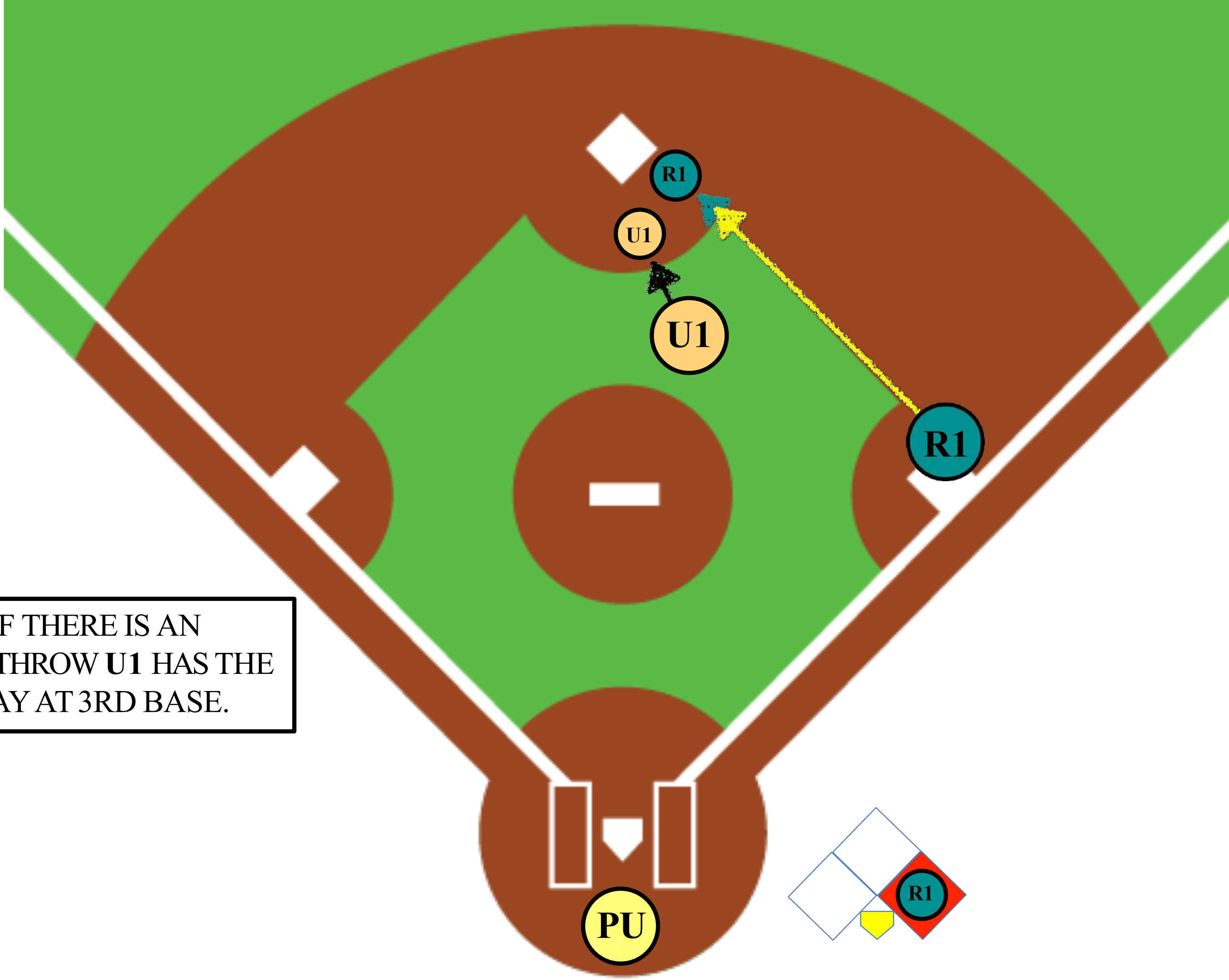


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COVERAGE ON A STEAL

-  Steal
-  Runner on 1st
-  1st Base Umpire
-  Home Plate Umpire

IF THERE IS AN
OVERTHROW U1 HAS THE
PLAY AT 3RD BASE.

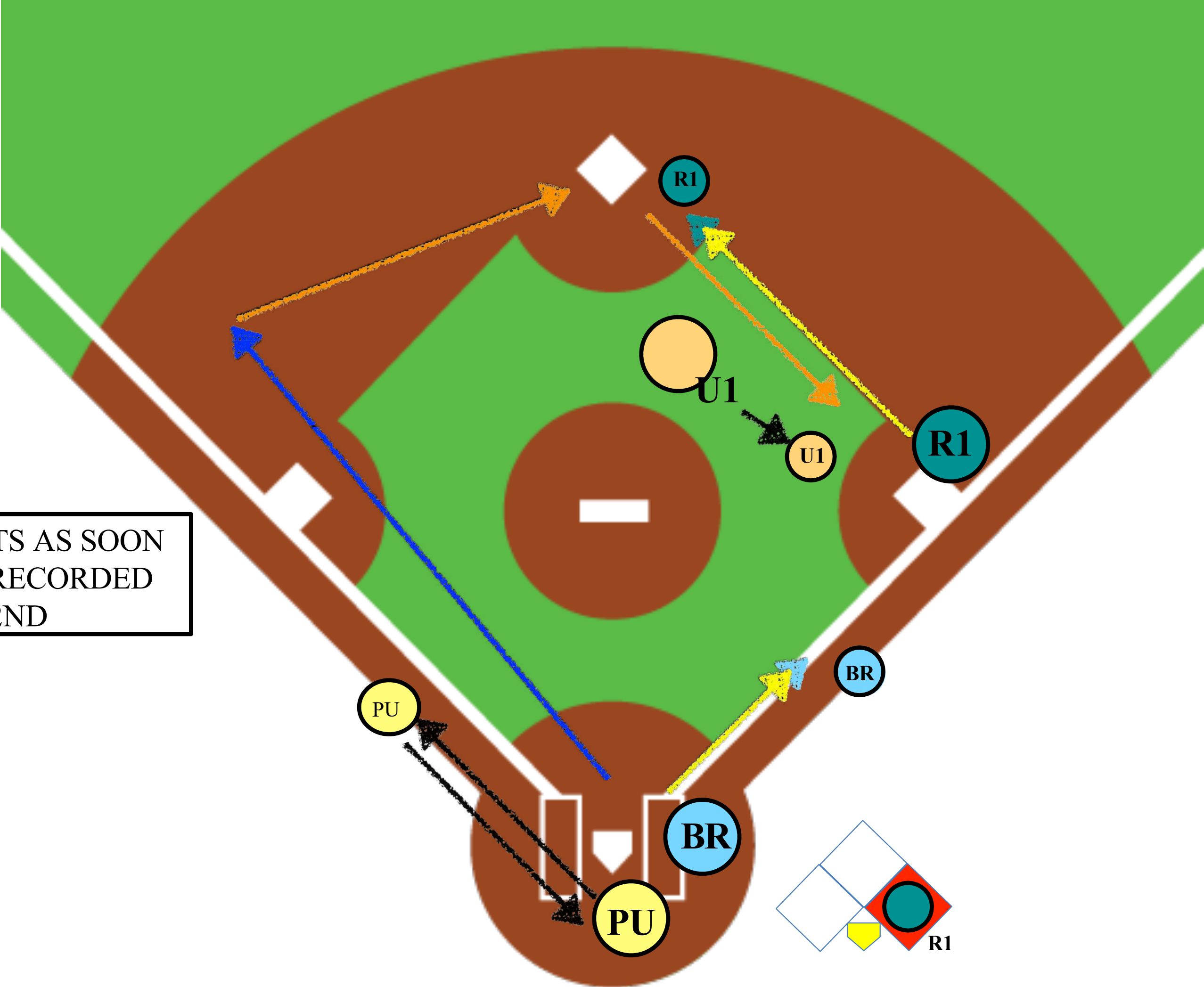


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ALL PLAYS IN THE FIELD

- ➡ Throw
- ➡ Runner's path
- ➡ Ground Ball
- BR** Batter-Runner
- R1** Runner on 1st
- U1** 1st Base Umpire
- PU** Home Plate Umpire

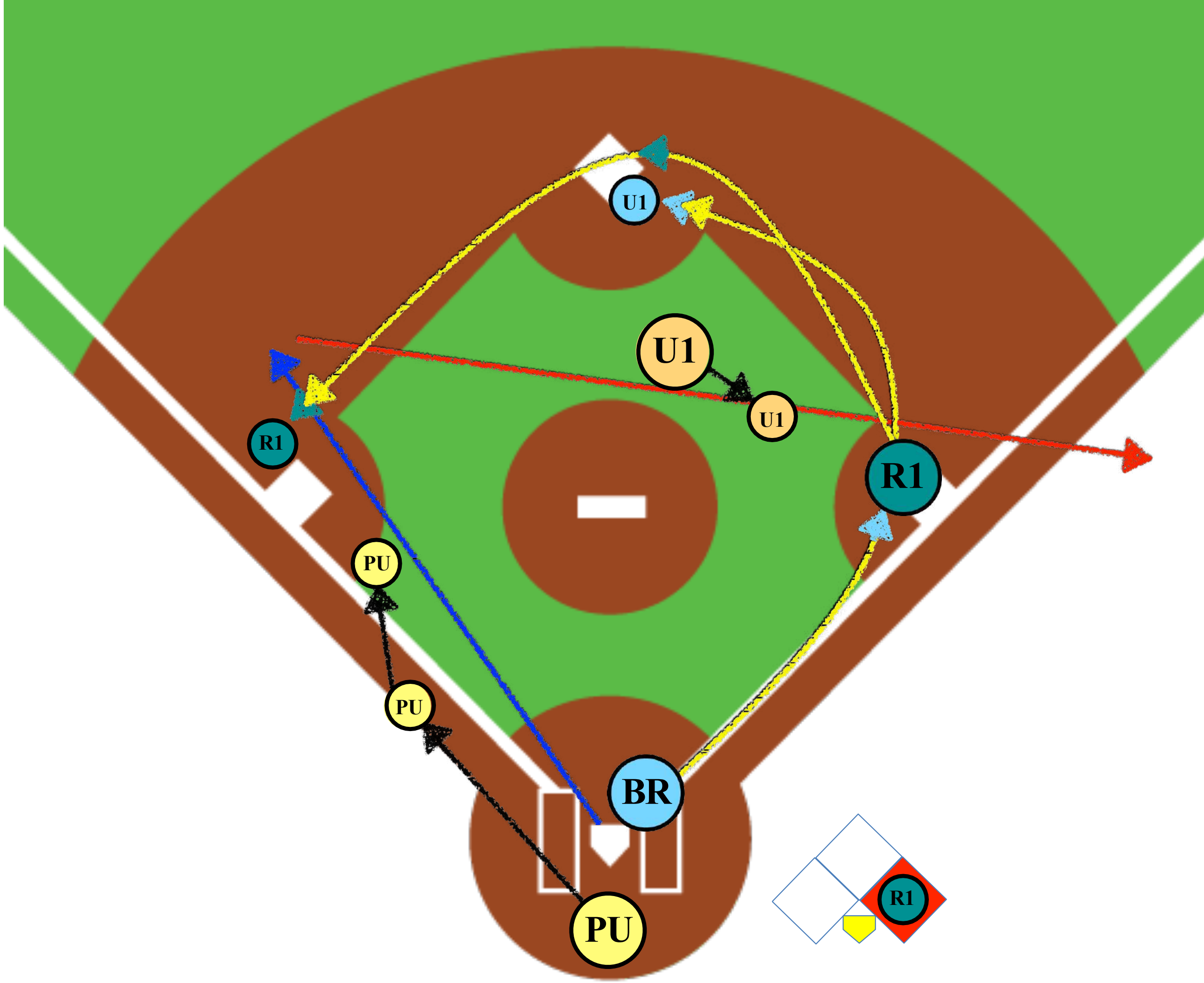
PU RETREATS AS SOON
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AT 2ND



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PLAYS WITHIN THE INFIELD ON AN OVERTHROW

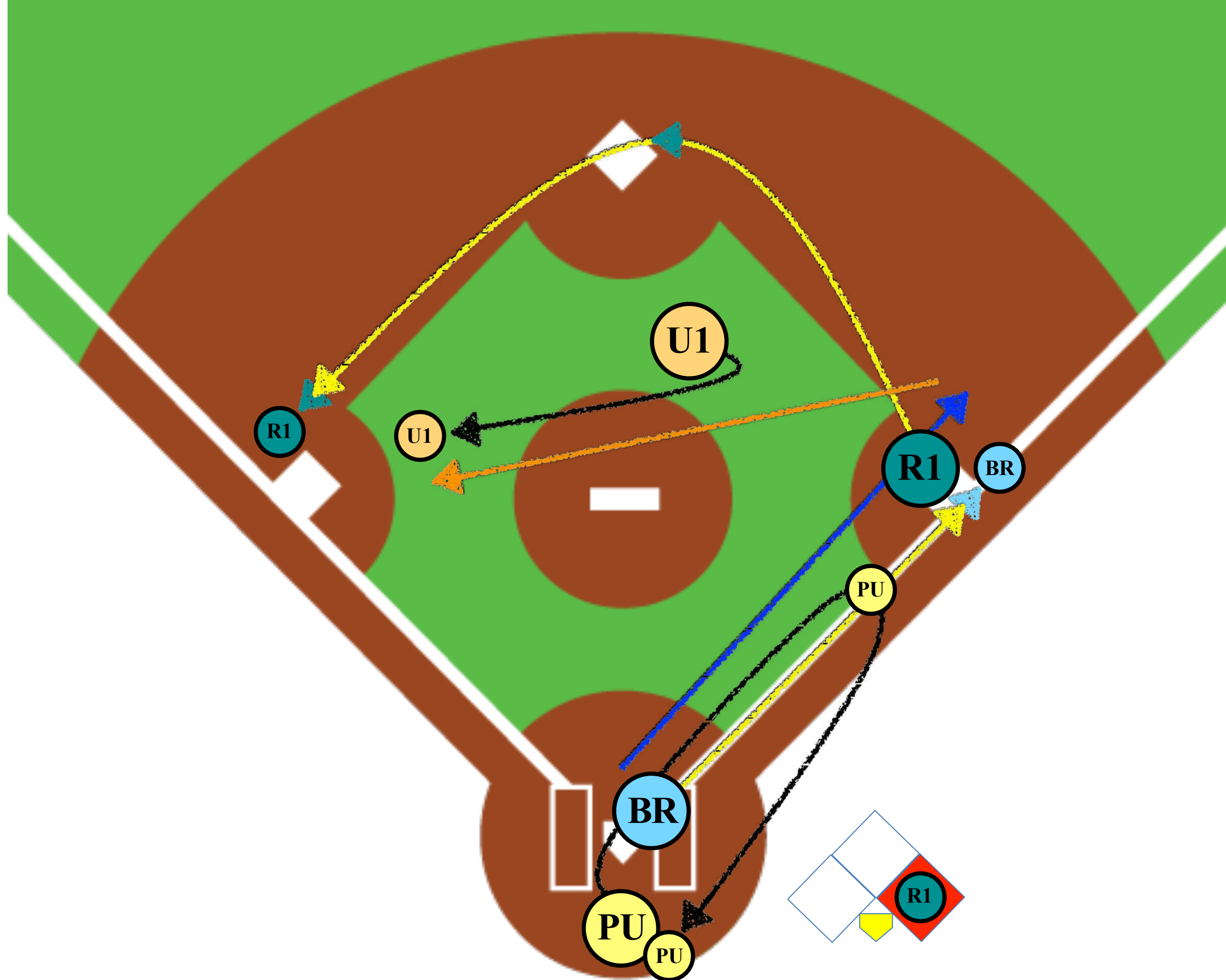
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- Runner's path
- Ground Ball
- BR** Batter-Runner
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PLAYS WITHIN THE INFIELD -
PLATE UMPIRE STAYS ON THE
FOUL LINE

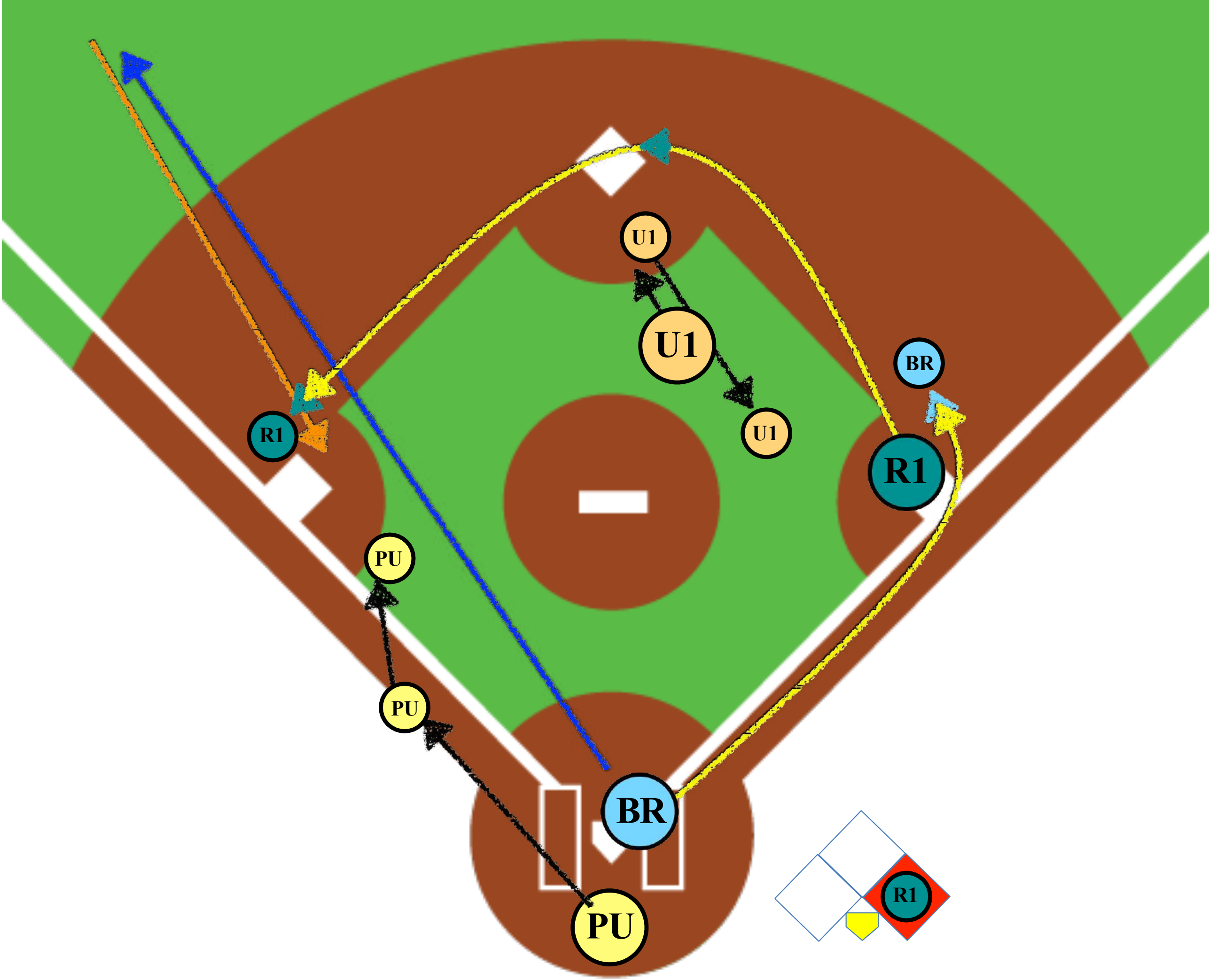
- ➡ Throw
- ➡ Runner's path
- ➡ Ground Ball
- BR** Batter-Runner
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CLEAN **BASE HIT** TO THE OUTFIELD OR **NO CATCH**

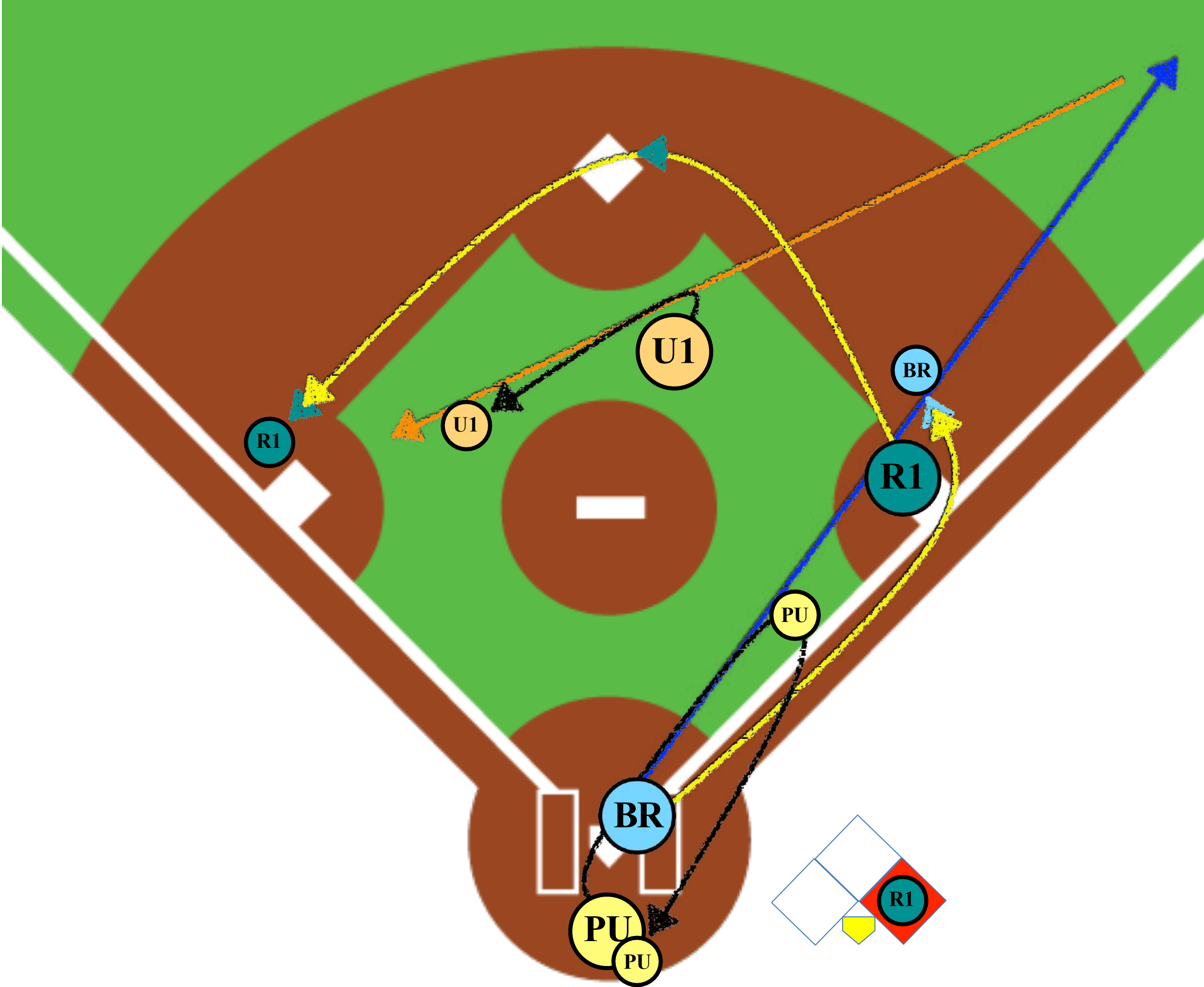
- ➡ Throw
- ➡ Runner's path
- ➡ **Base Hit or Fly Ball No Catch**
- BR** Batter-Runner
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- U1** 1st Base Umpire
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FLY BALL TO RIGHT FIELD LINE - NO CATCH

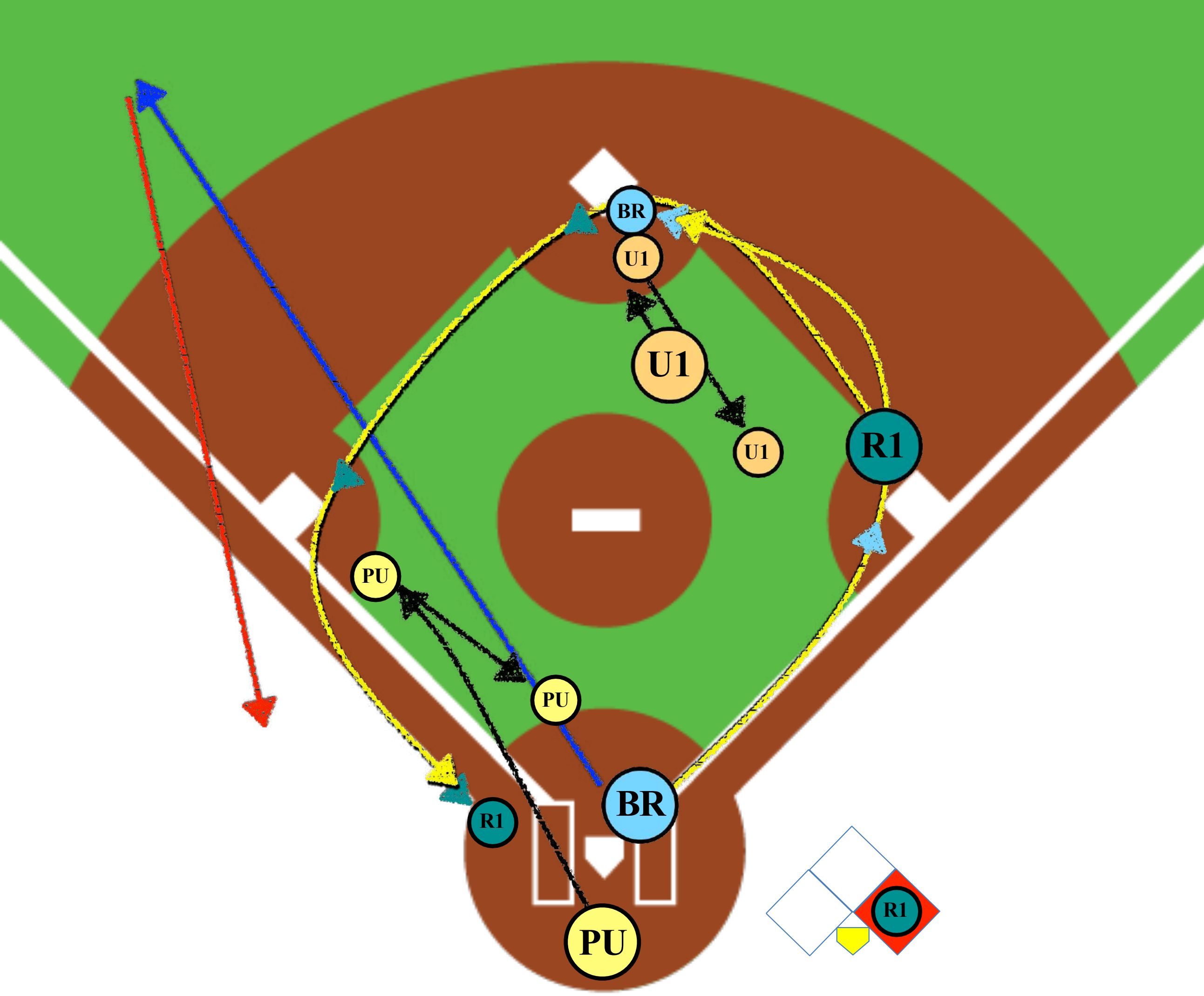
- ➡ Throw
- ➡ Runner's path
- ➡ Fly Ball No Catch
- BR Batter-Runner
- R1 Runner on 1st
- U1 1st Base Umpire
- PU Home Plate Umpire



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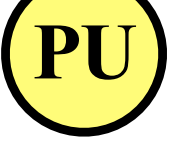
CLEAN HIT TO THE OUTFIELD - OVERTHROW

- ➡ Overthrow
- ➡ Runner's path
- ➡ Clean hit to the Outfield
- BR** Batter-Runner
- R1** Runner on 1st
- U1** 1st Base Umpire
- PU** Home Plate Umpire



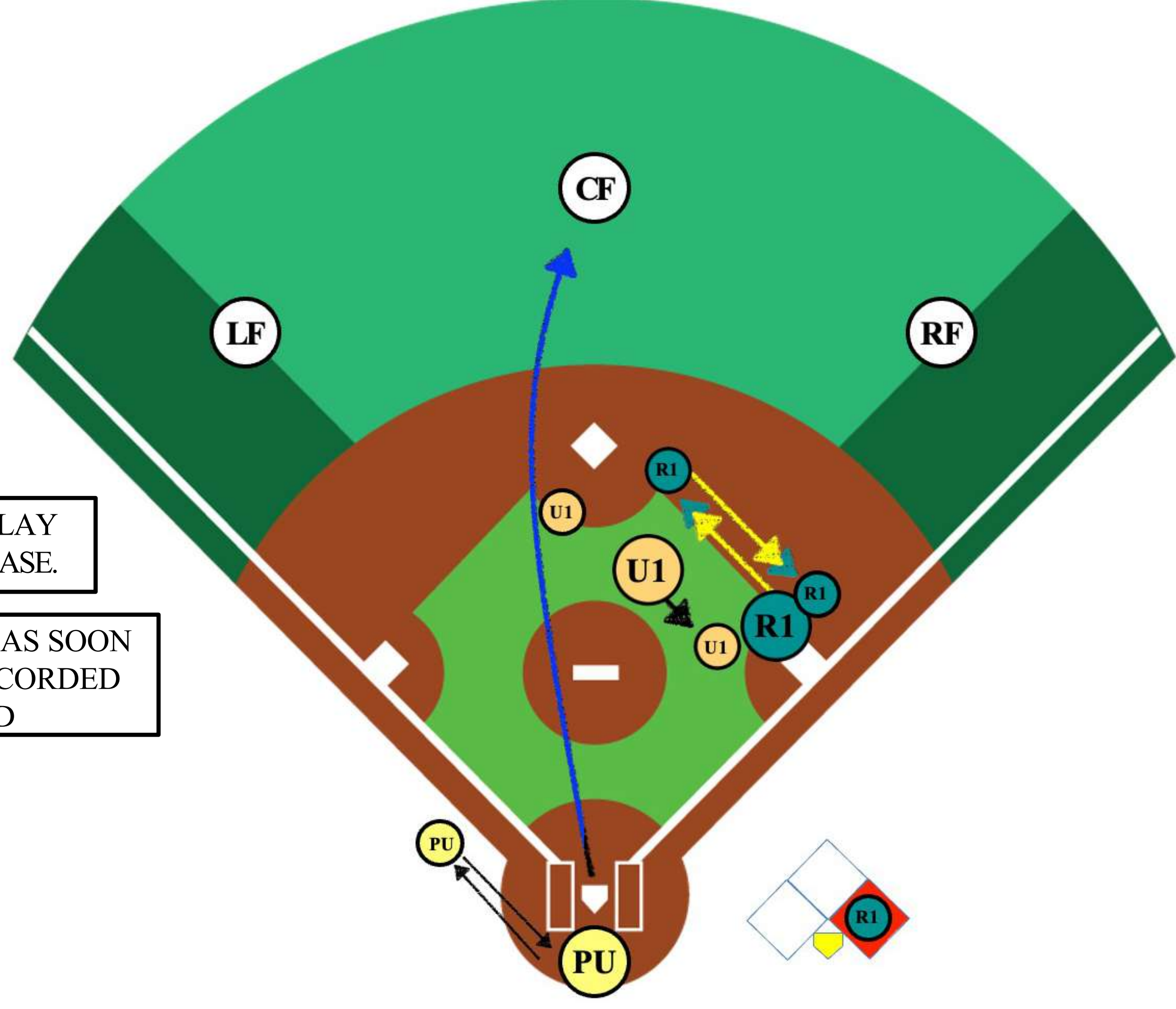
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FLY BALL TO CENTER FIELD - CATCH

-  Runner's Path
-  Fly Ball CATCH
-  Right Field
-  Center Field
-  Left Field
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-  1st Base Umpire
-  Home Plate Umpire

U1 HAS THE PLAY
BACK AT 1ST BASE.

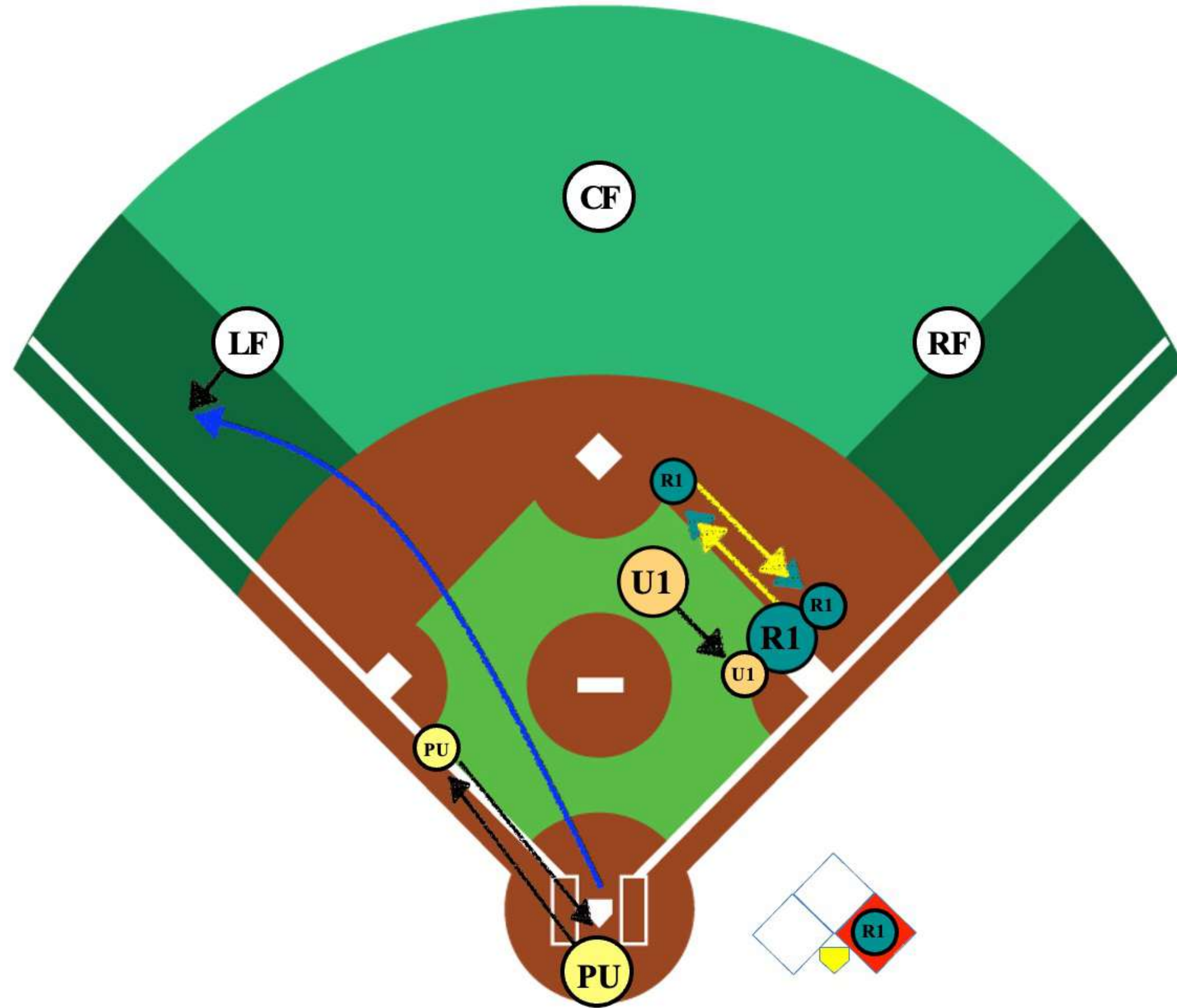
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FLY BALL TO LEFT FIELD - CATCH

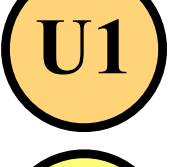
-  Runner's Path
-  Fly Ball CATCH
-  Right Field
-  Center Field
-  Left Field
-  Runner on 1st
-  1st Base Umpire
-  Home Plate Umpire

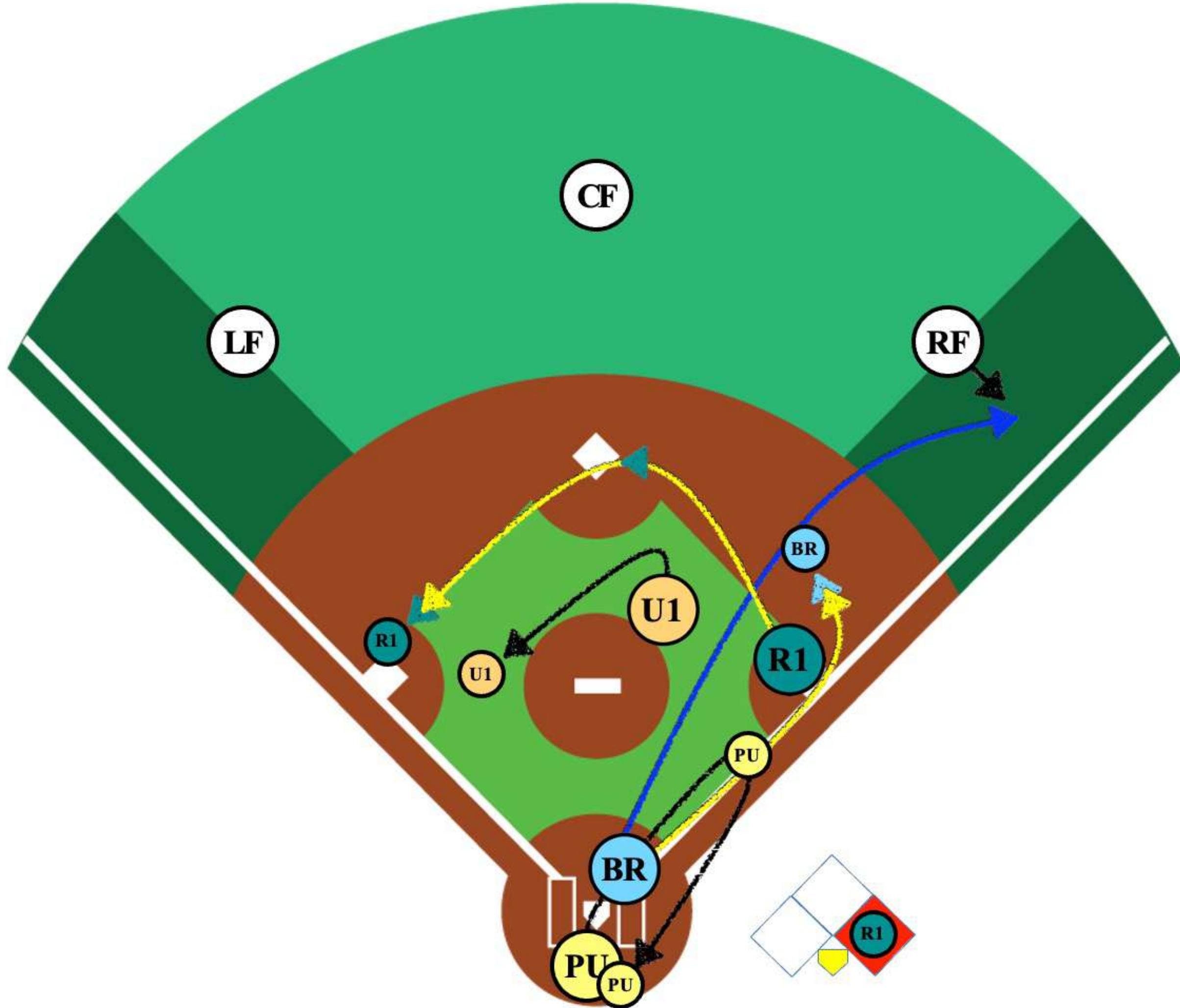


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FLY BALL TO RIGHT FIELD -
NO CATCH

-  Runner's Path
-  Fly Ball **NO CATCH**

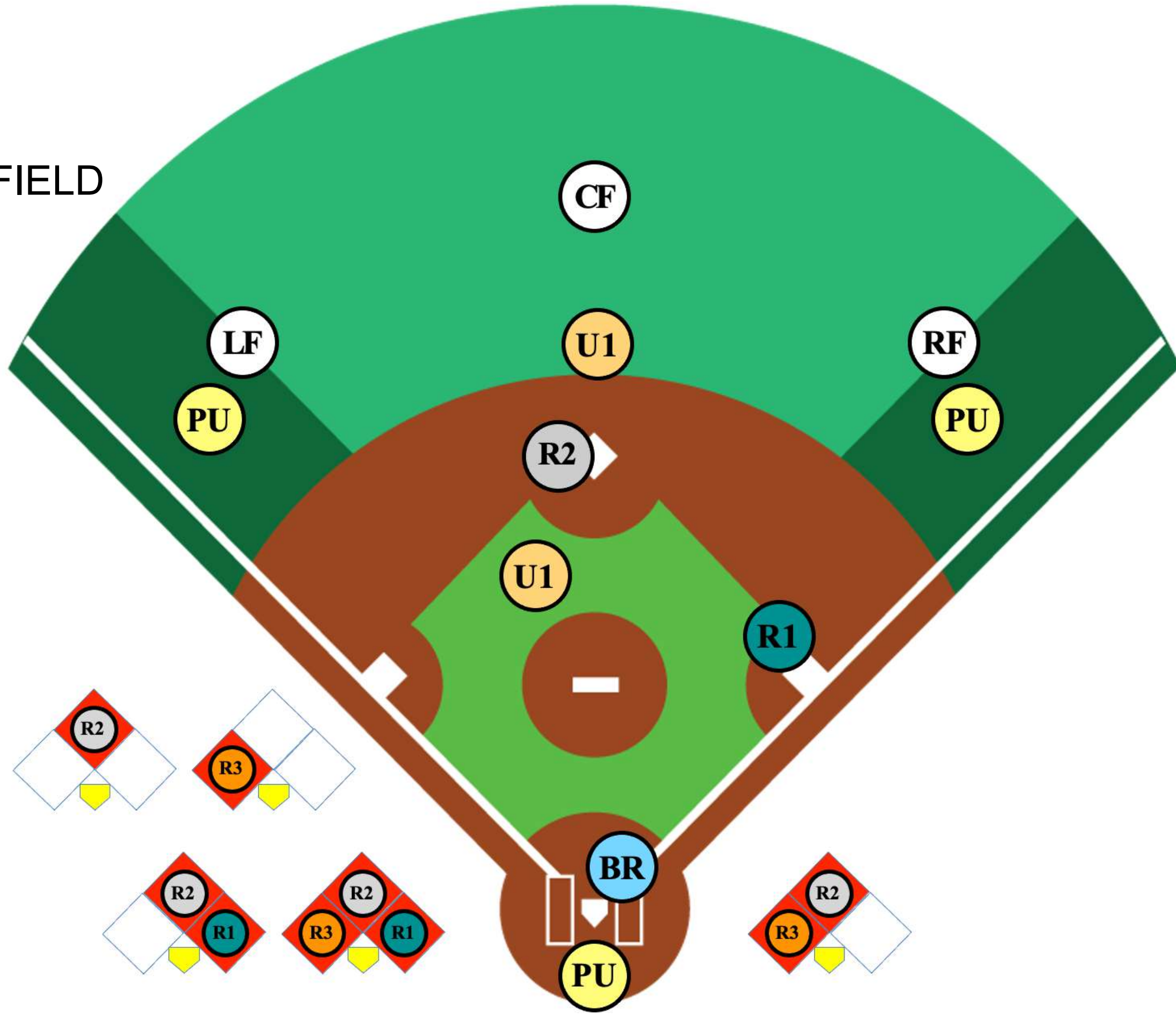
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INITIAL POSITIONS & OUTFIELD COVERAGE WITH RUNNERS ON BASE

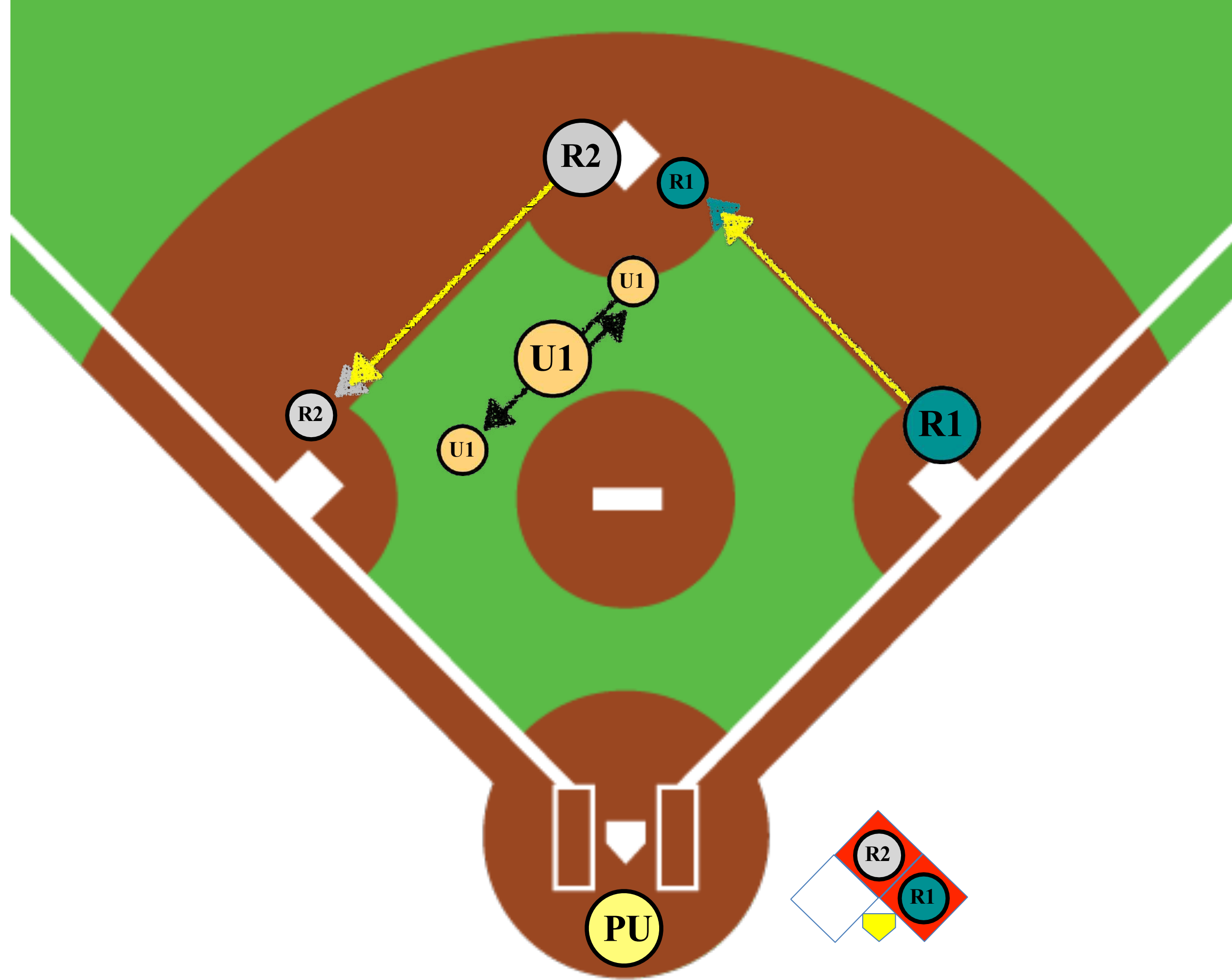
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COVERAGE ON A STEAL

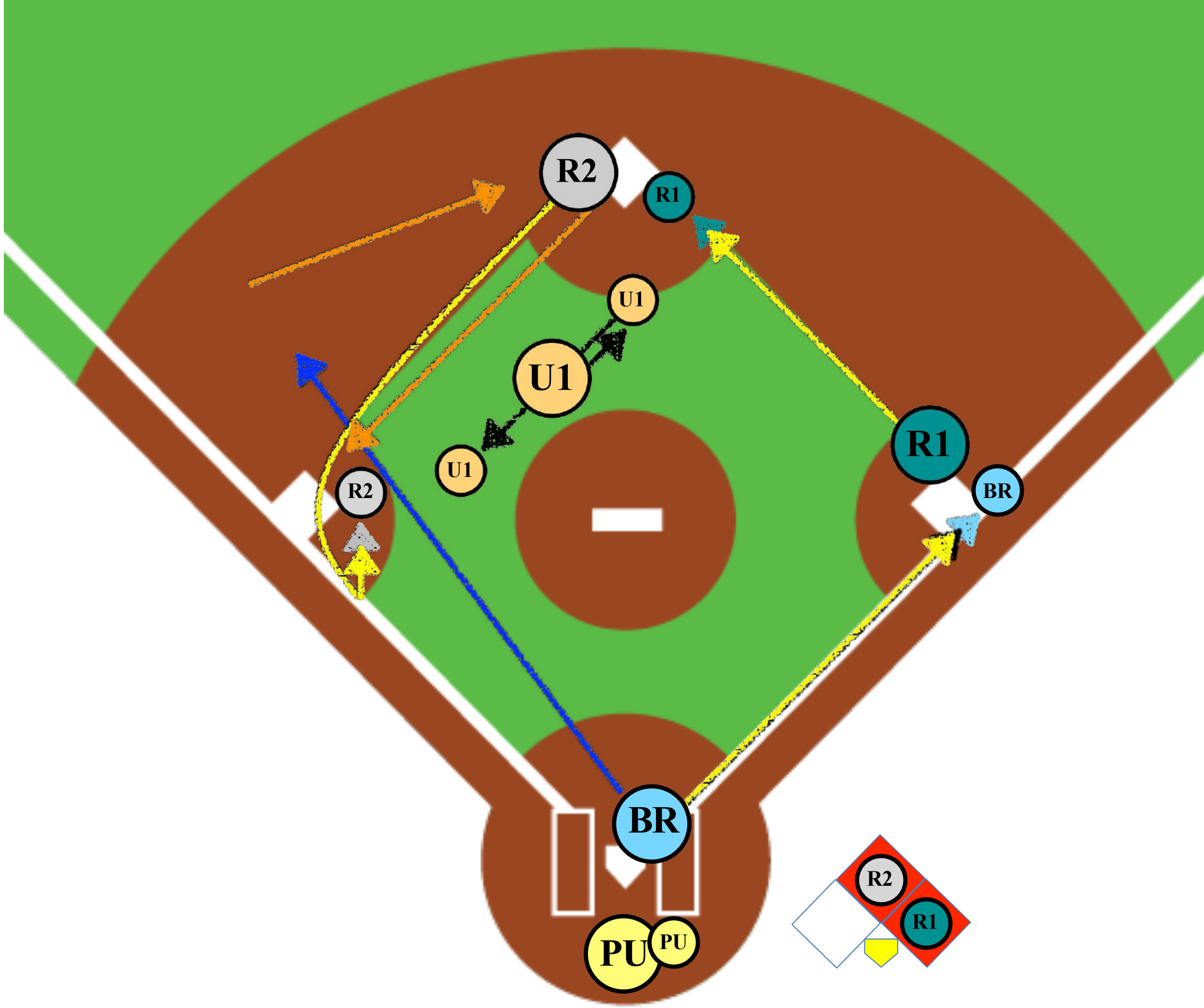
-  Steal
-  Runner on 1st
-  Runner on 2nd
-  1st Base Umpire
-  Home Plate Umpire



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PLAYS WITHIN THE INFIELD

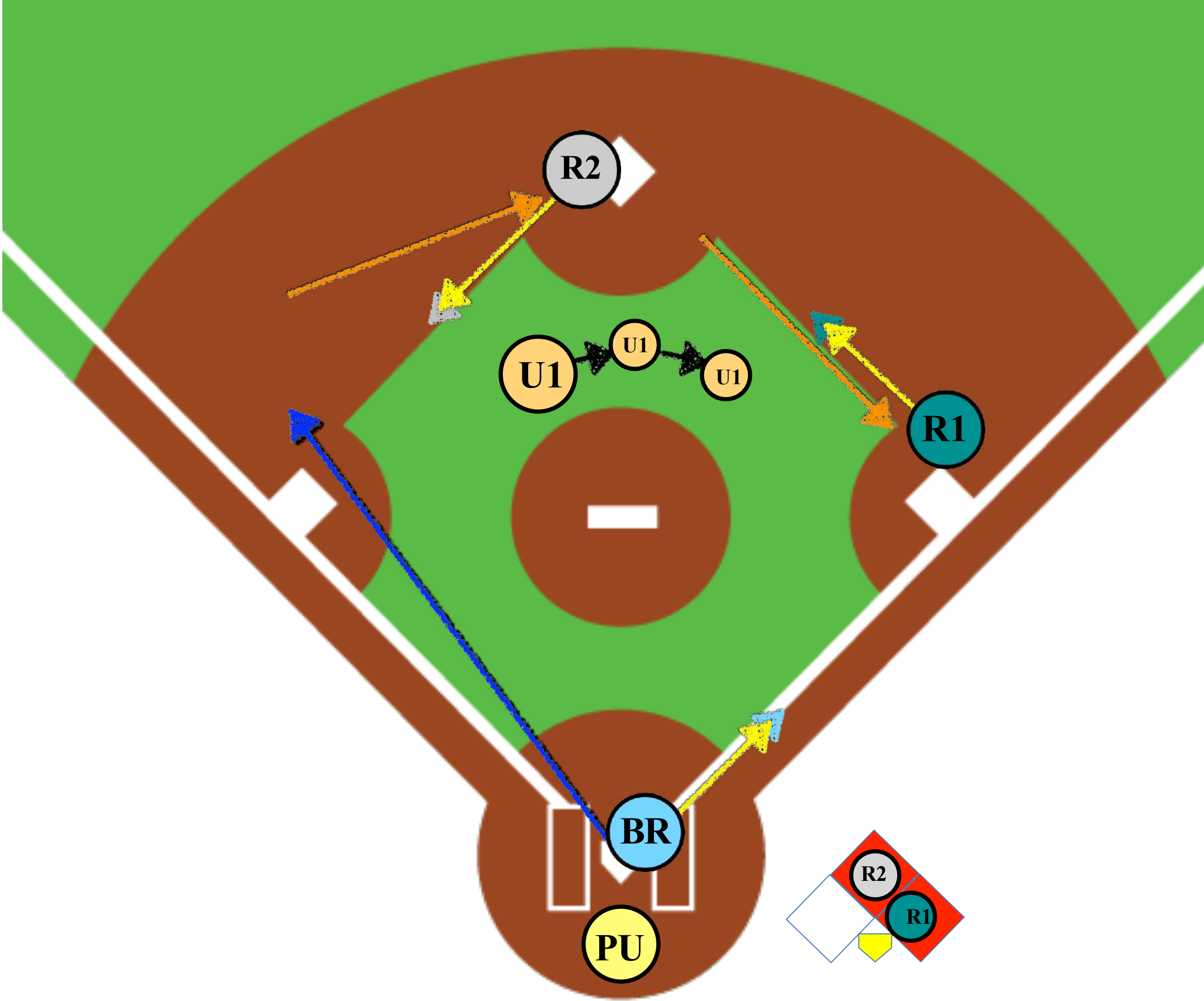
- ➡ Throw
- ➡ Ground Ball
- ➡ Runner's path
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DOUBLE PLAY

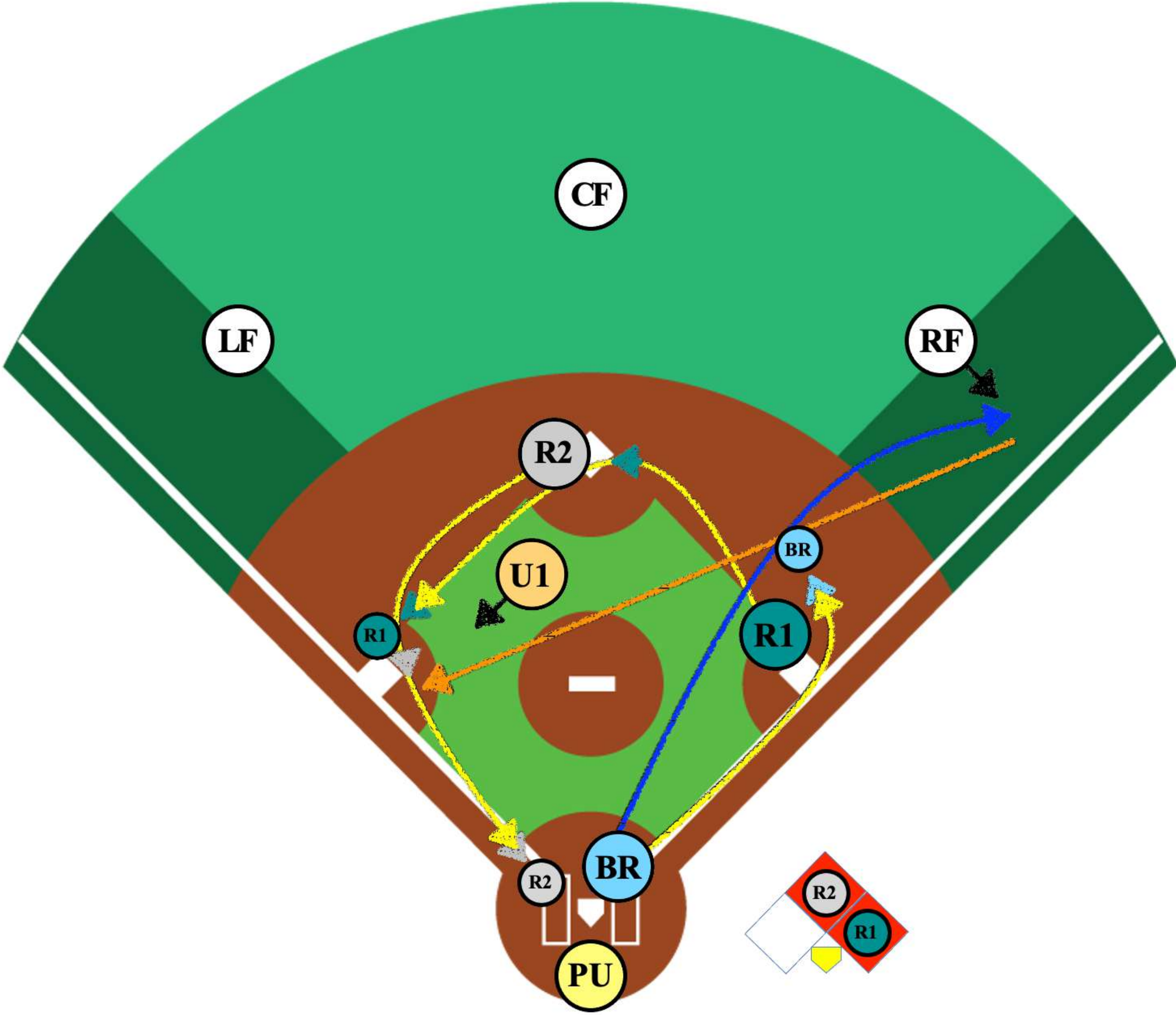
- Throw
- Ground Ball
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BASE HIT TO RIGHT FIELD

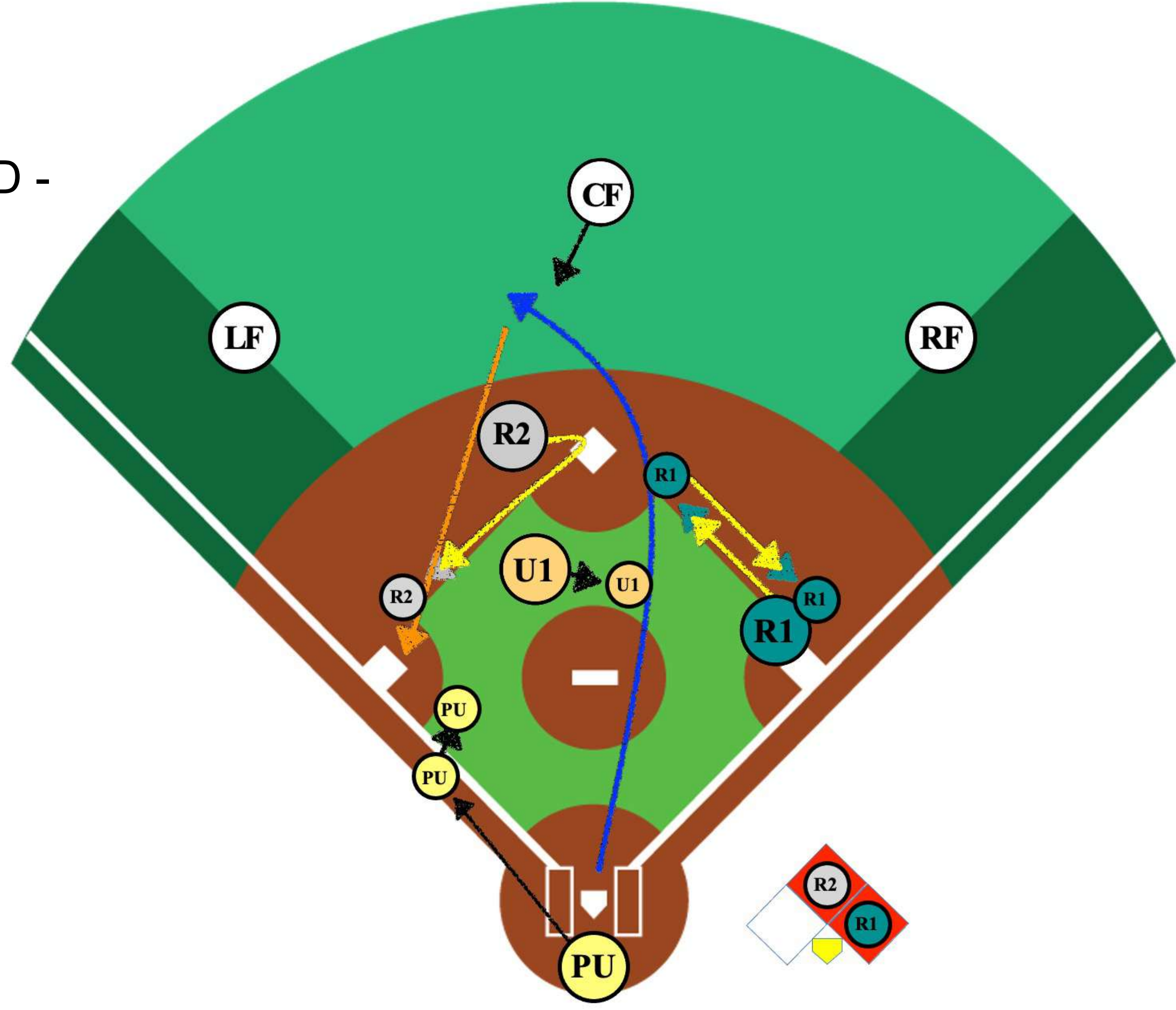
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- Base Hit
- Throw
- Runner's path



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RIGHT FLY BALL TO CENTER FIELD - CATCH

- CF** Center Field
- RF** Right Field
- LF** Left Field
- R1** Runner on 1st
- R2** Runner on 2nd
- U1** 1st Base Umpire
- PU** Home Plate Umpire
-  Fly Ball **CATCH**
-  Throw
-  Runner's Path



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FLY BALL TO LEFT FIELD - NO CATCH

- RF

 Right Field
- CF

 Center Field
- LF

 Left Field
- Fly Ball NO CATCH
- Throw
- Runner's path
- BR

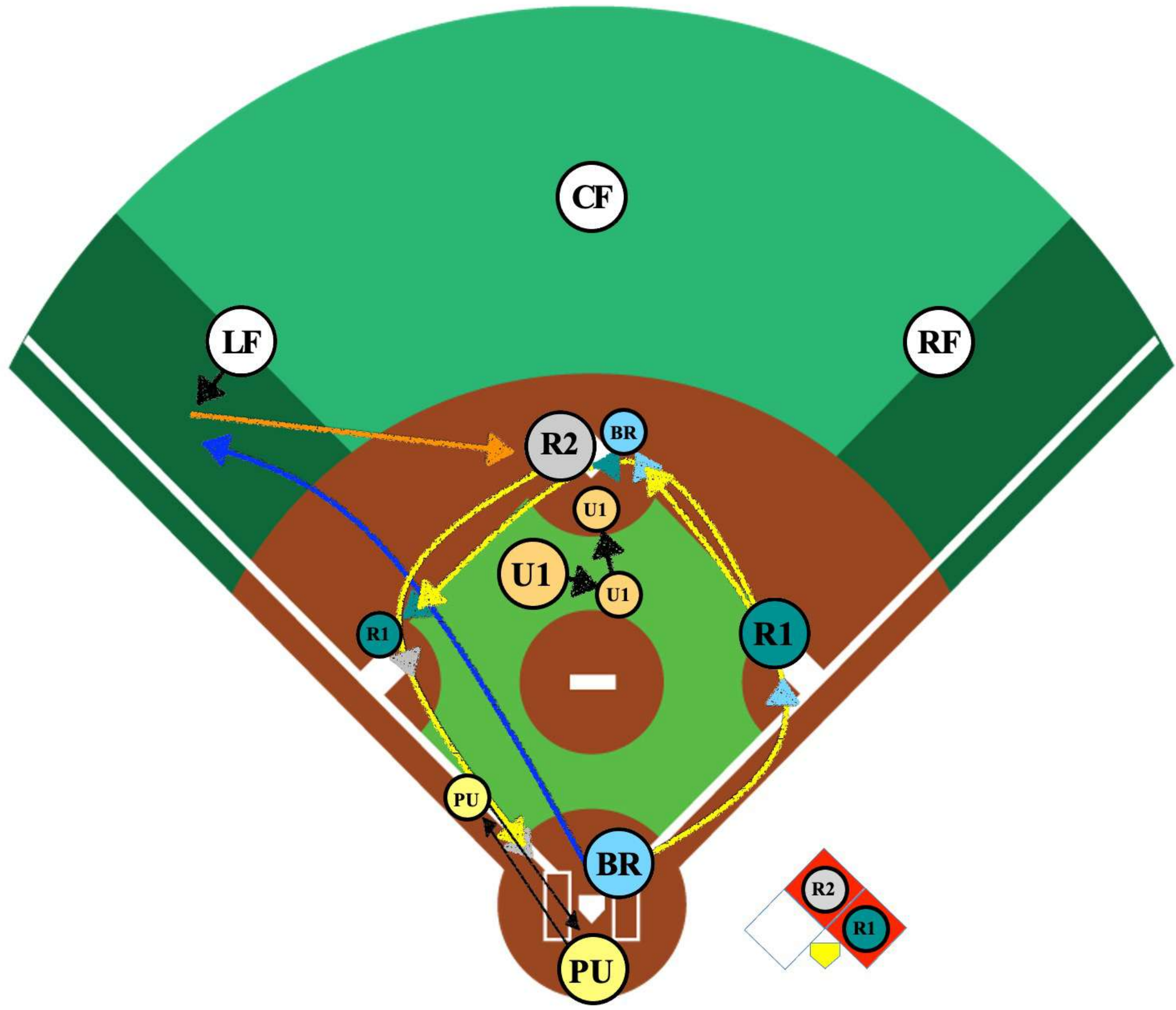
 Batter-Runner
- R1

 Runner on 1st
- R2

 Runner on 2nd
- U1

 1st Base Umpire
- PU

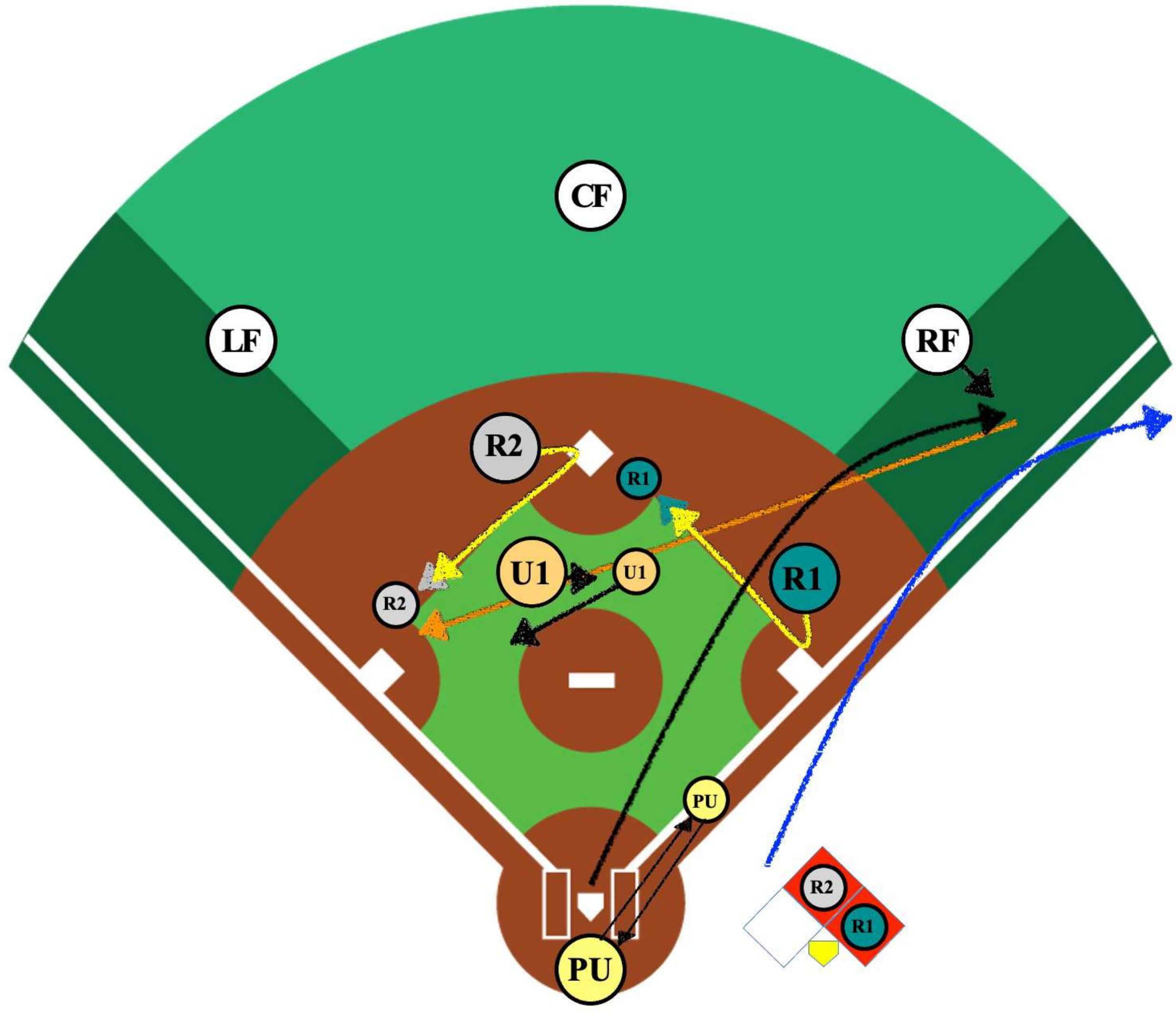
 Plate Umpire



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FLY BALL TO RIGHT FIELD LINE - CATCH

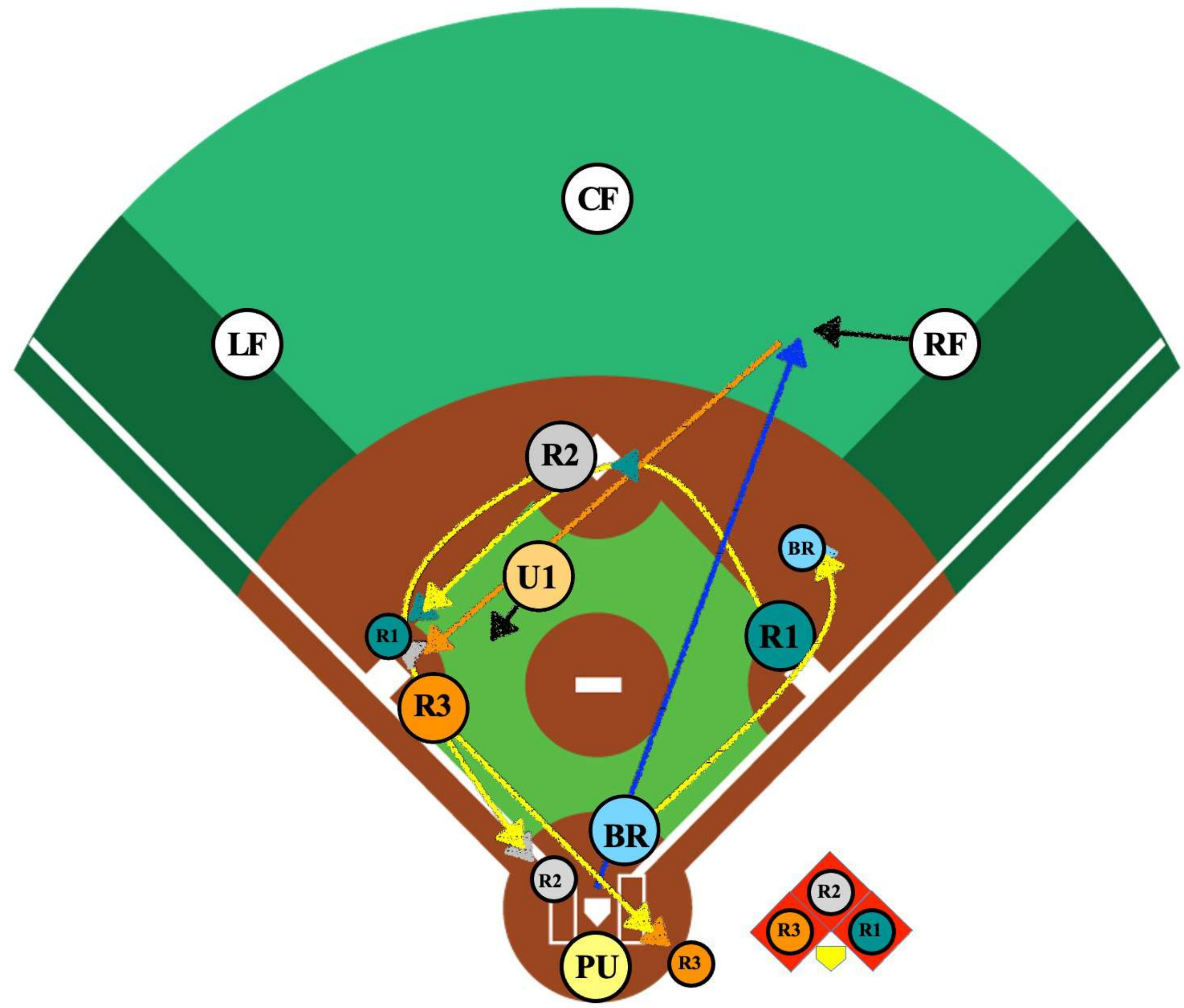
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-  Fly Ball **CATCH**
-  Throw
-  Runner's path



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BASE HIT TO THE OUTFIELD

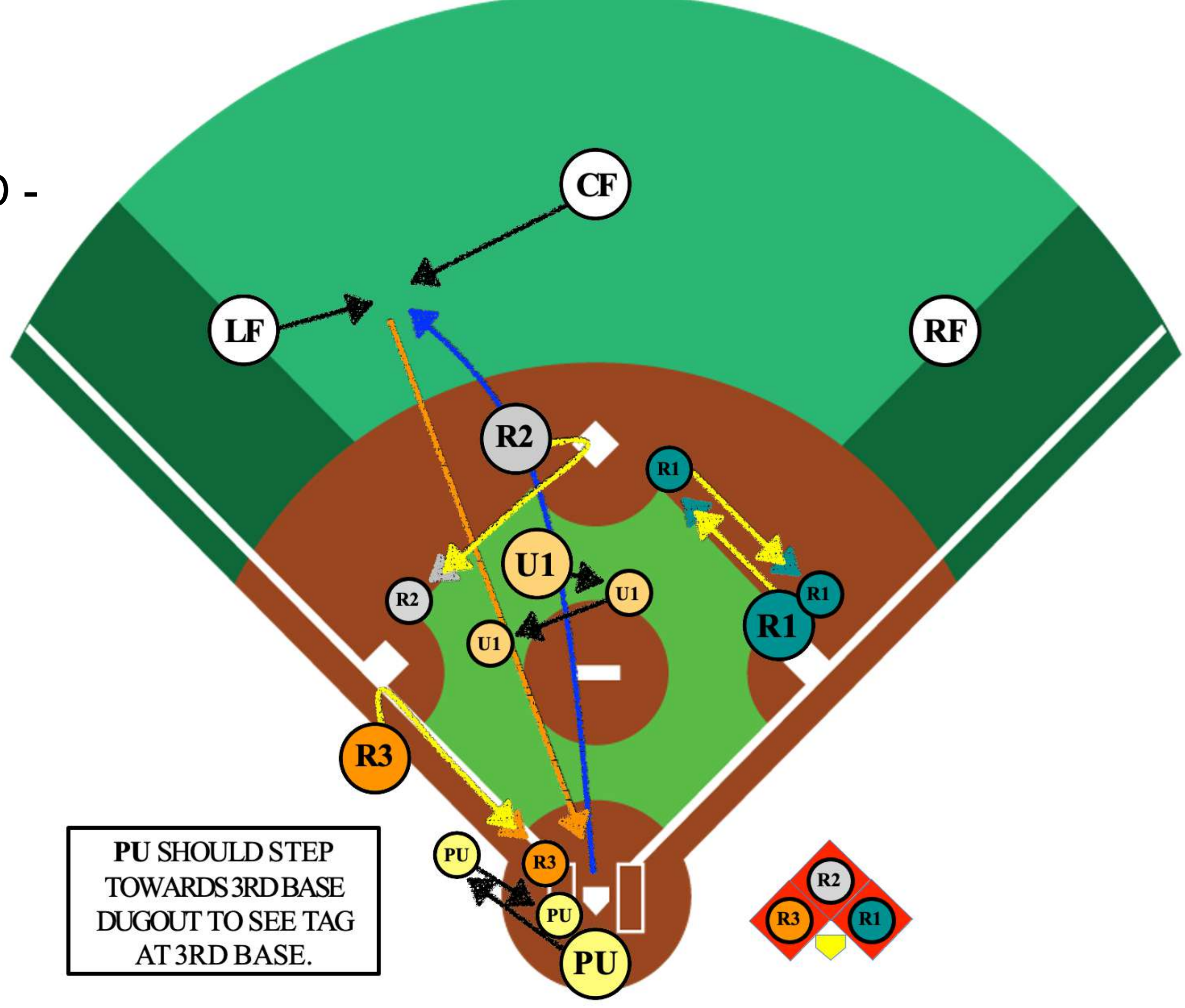
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 - R3** Runner on 3rd
 - U1** 1st Base Umpire
 - PU** Home Plate Umpire
- Base Hit (blue arrow)
Throw (orange arrow)
Runner's path (yellow arrow)



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FLY BALL TO LEFT|CENTER FIELD - CATCH

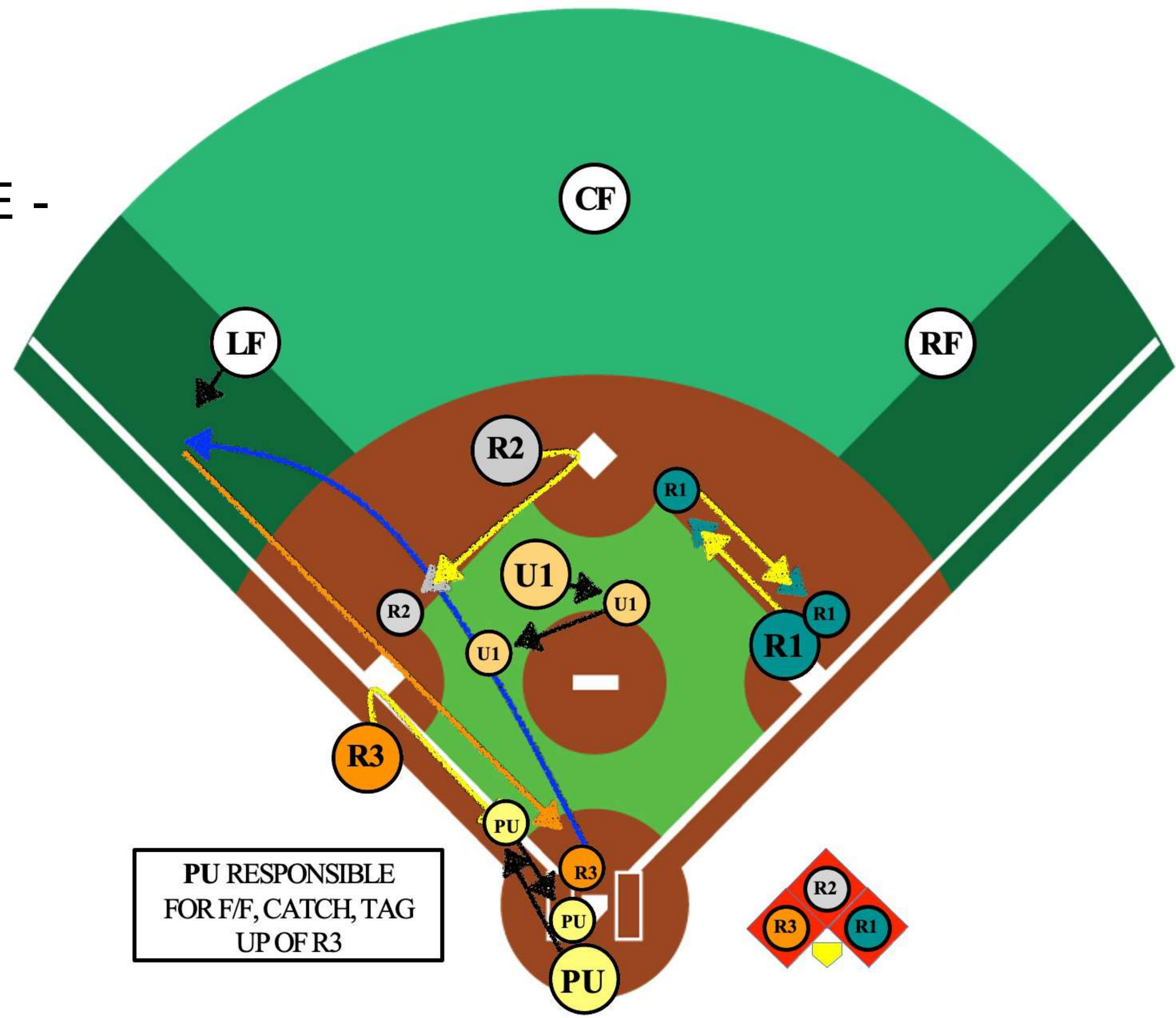
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-  Throw
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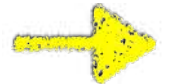
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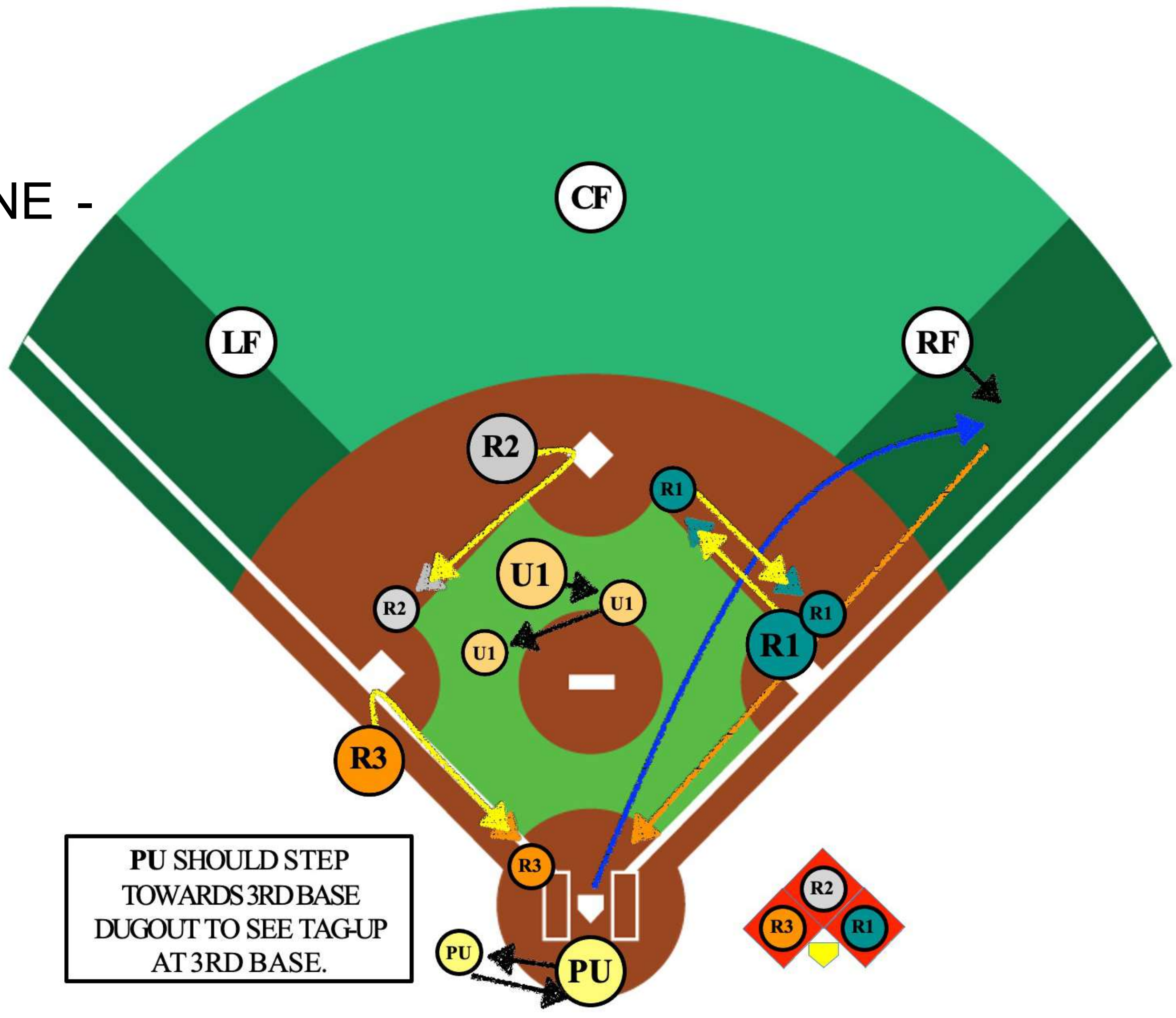
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-  Throw
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- R1** Runner on 1st
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FLY BALL TO RIGHT FIELD LINE - CATCH

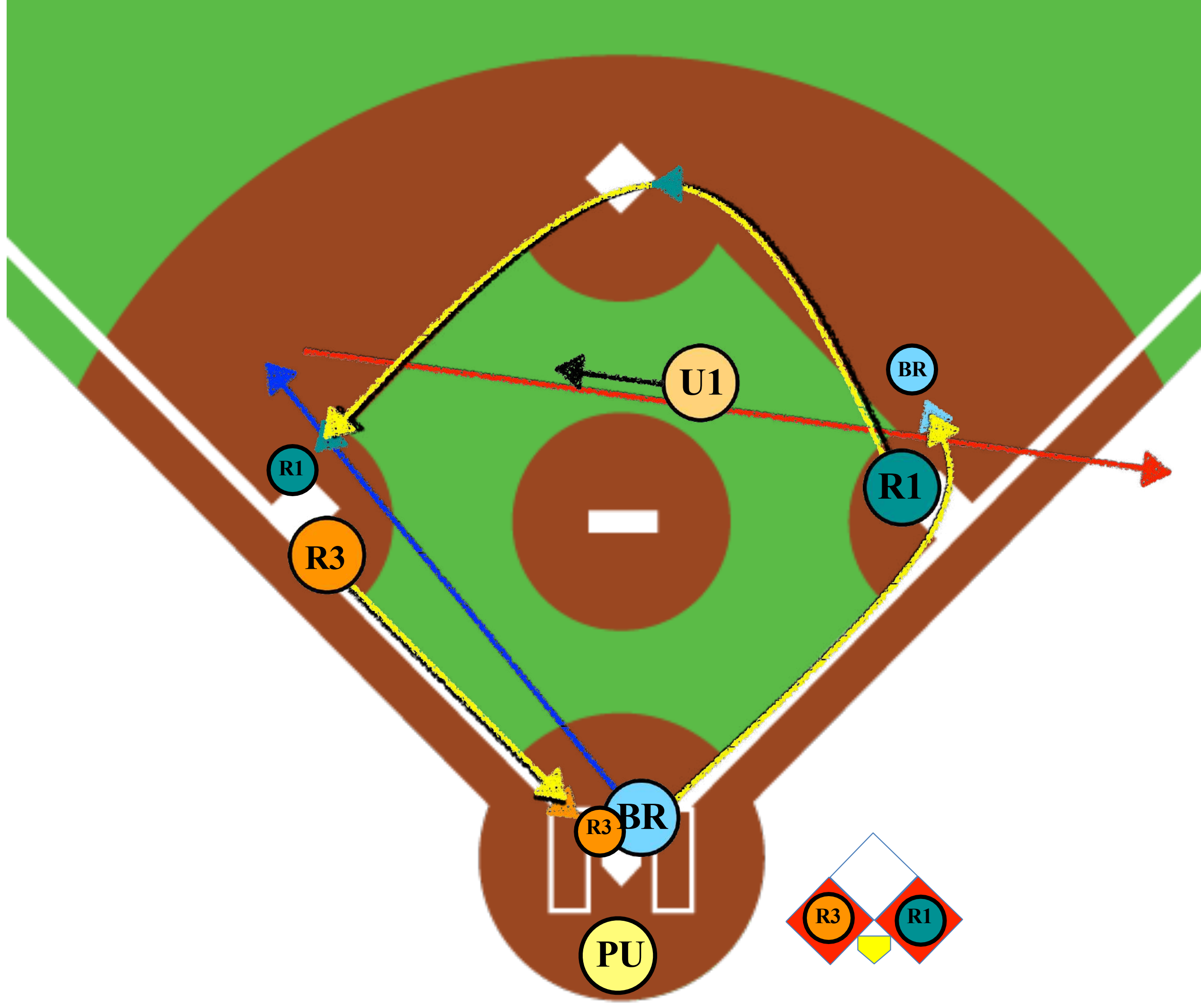
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-  Throw
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PLAYS WITHIN THE INFIELD ON AN OVERTHROW

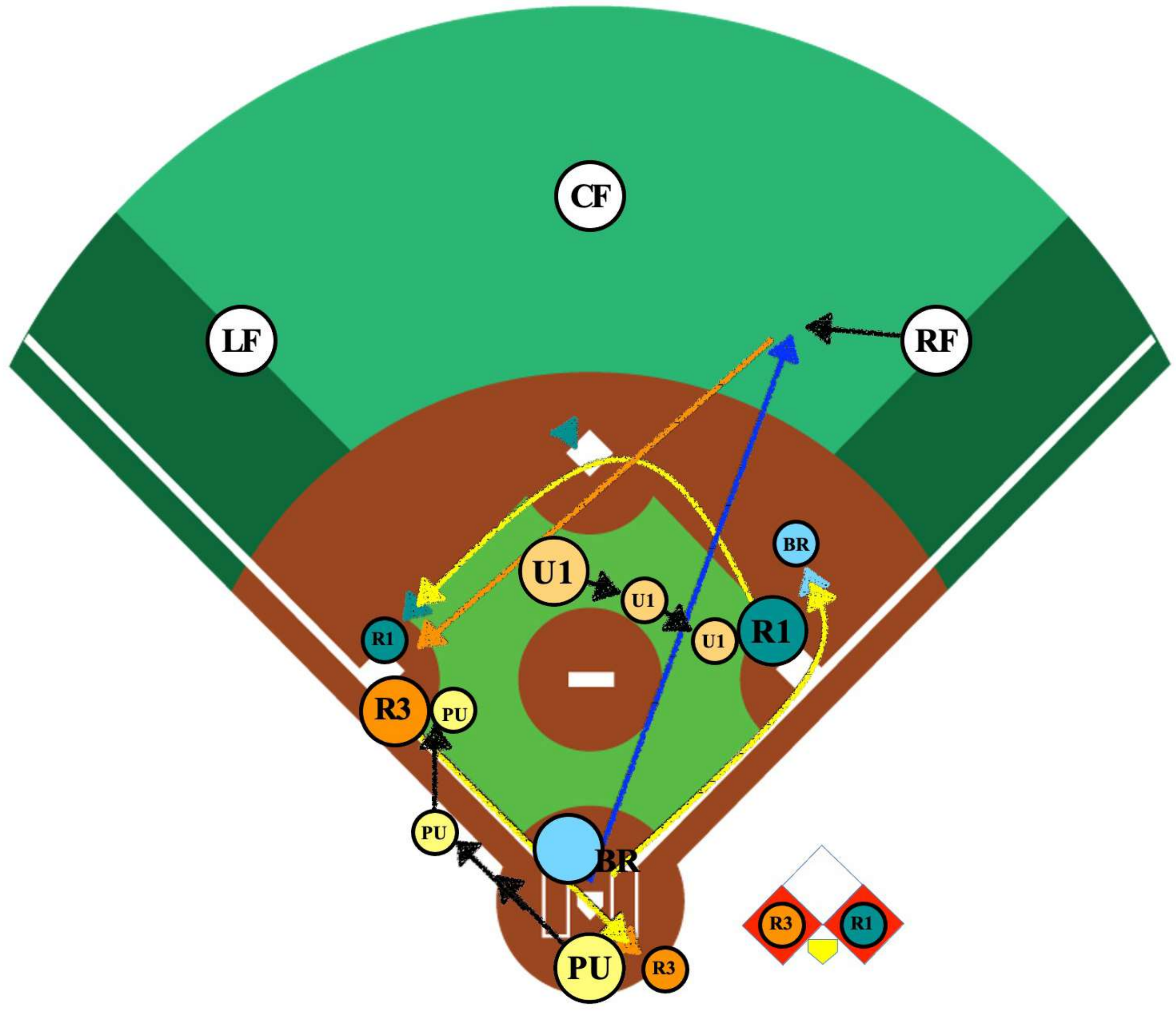
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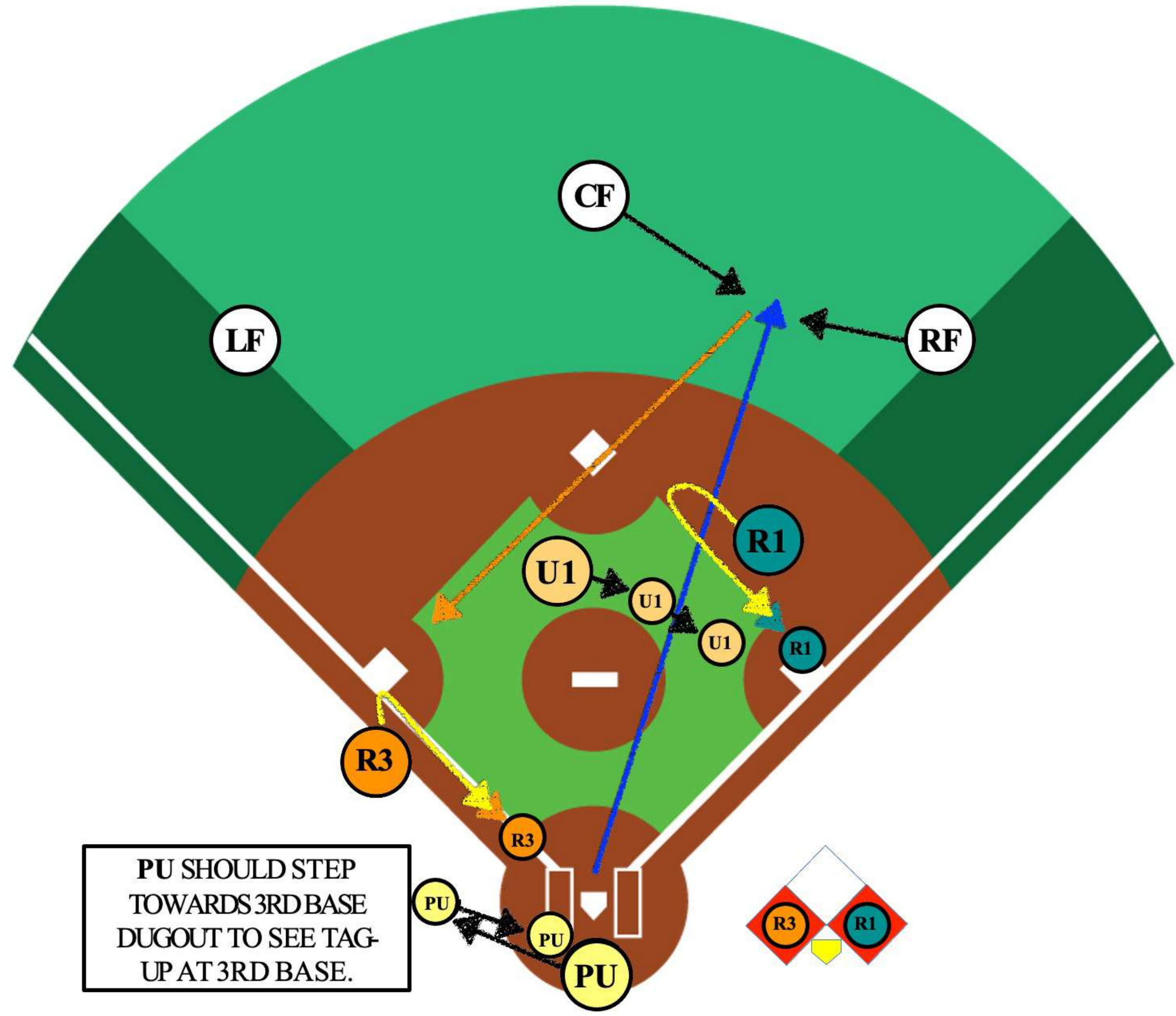
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- Base Hit
- Throw
- Runner's path



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FLY BALL CENTER | RIGHT - CATCH

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- Base Hit**
- Throw**
- Runner's Path**
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FLY BALL LEFT FIELD LINE -
CATCH

CF Center Field

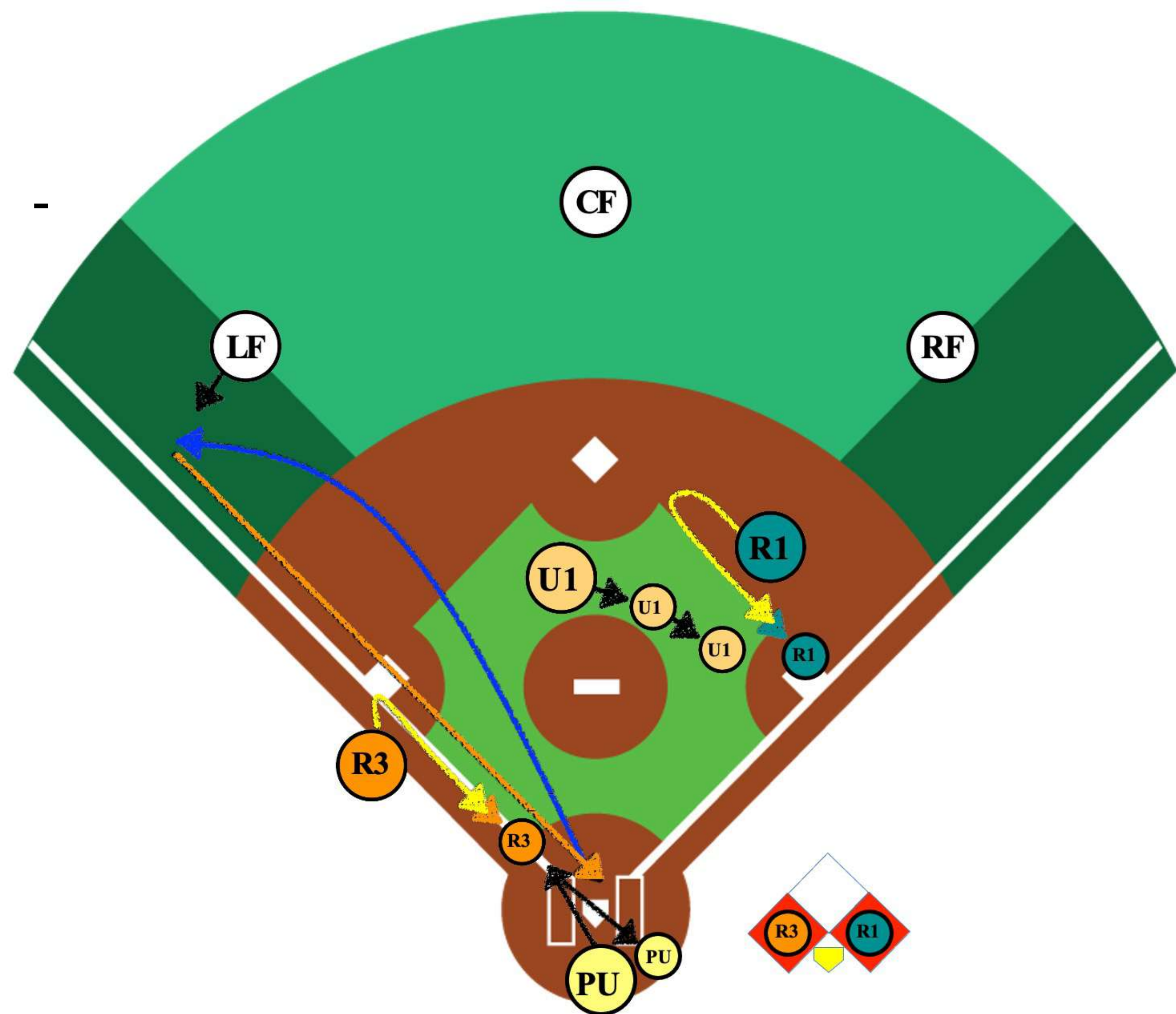
 Base Hit  Throw

R1 Runner on 1st

R3 Runner on 3rd

U1 1st Base Umpire

PU Home Plate Umpire



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FLY BALL TO THE RIGHT FIELD LINE - NO CATCH

- RF

 Right Field
- LF

 Left Field
- CF

 Center Field
- BR

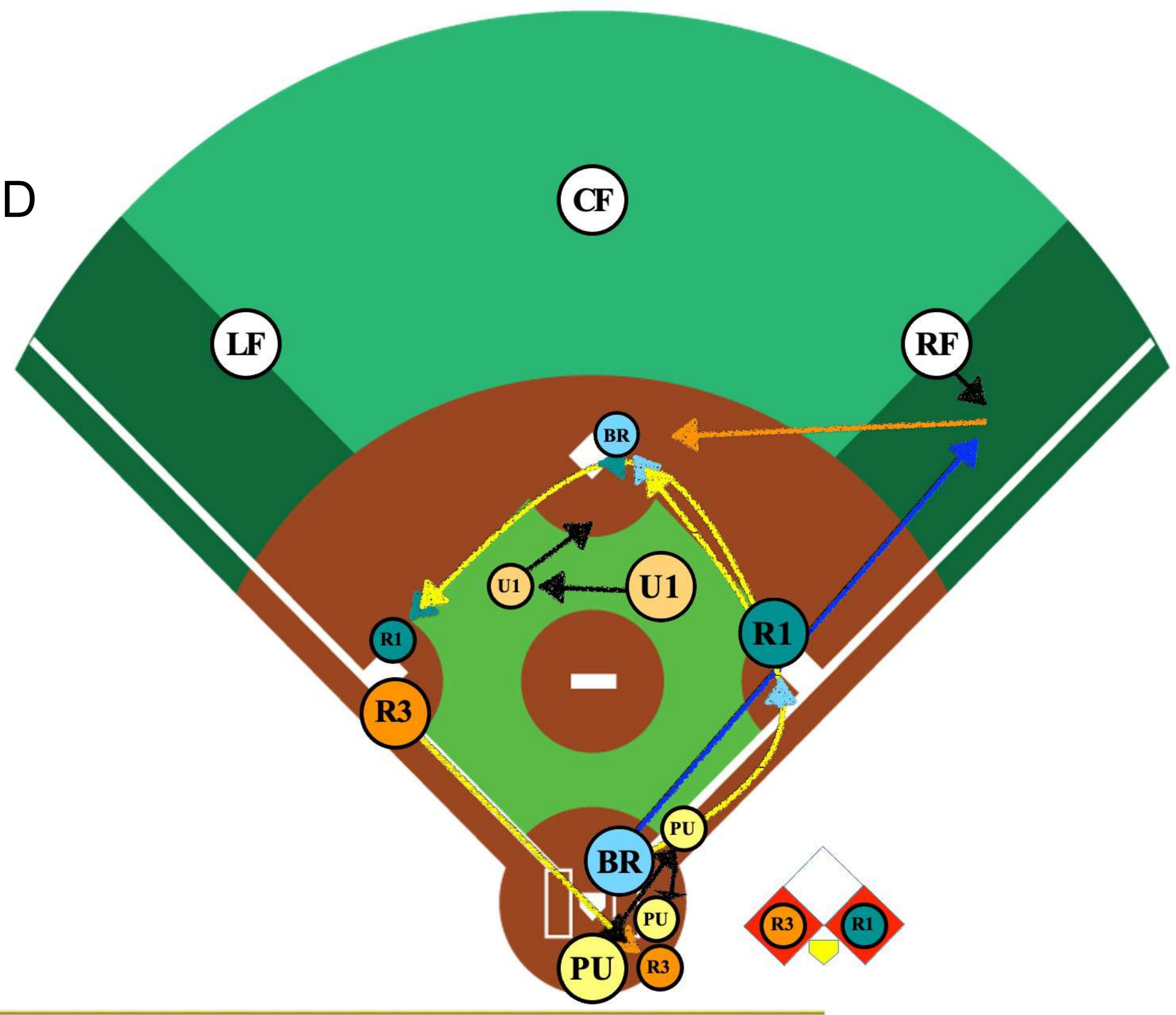
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- R1

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 1st Base Umpire
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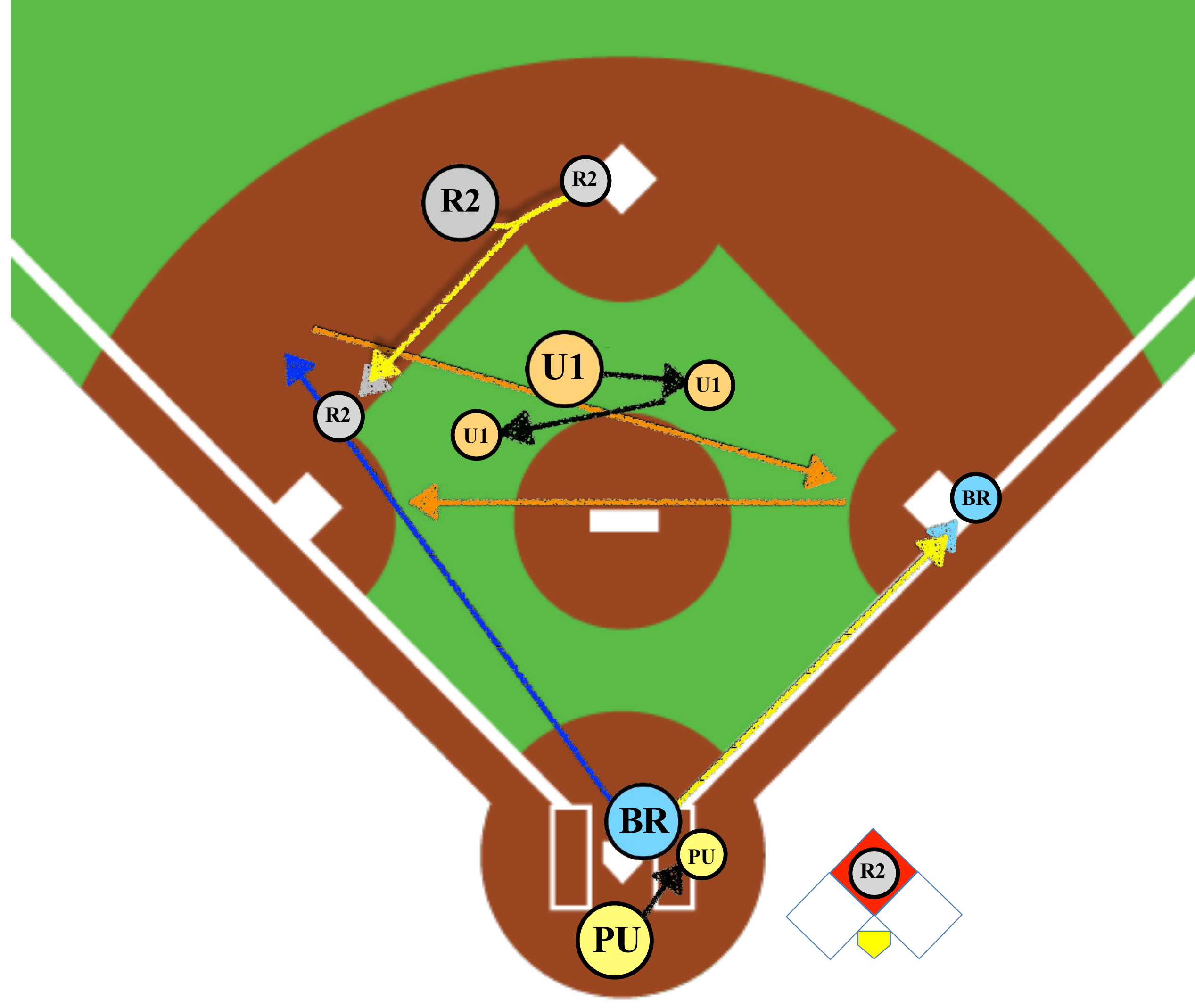
 Home Plate Ump
- Base Hit
- Throw
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PLAYS WITHIN THE INFIELD

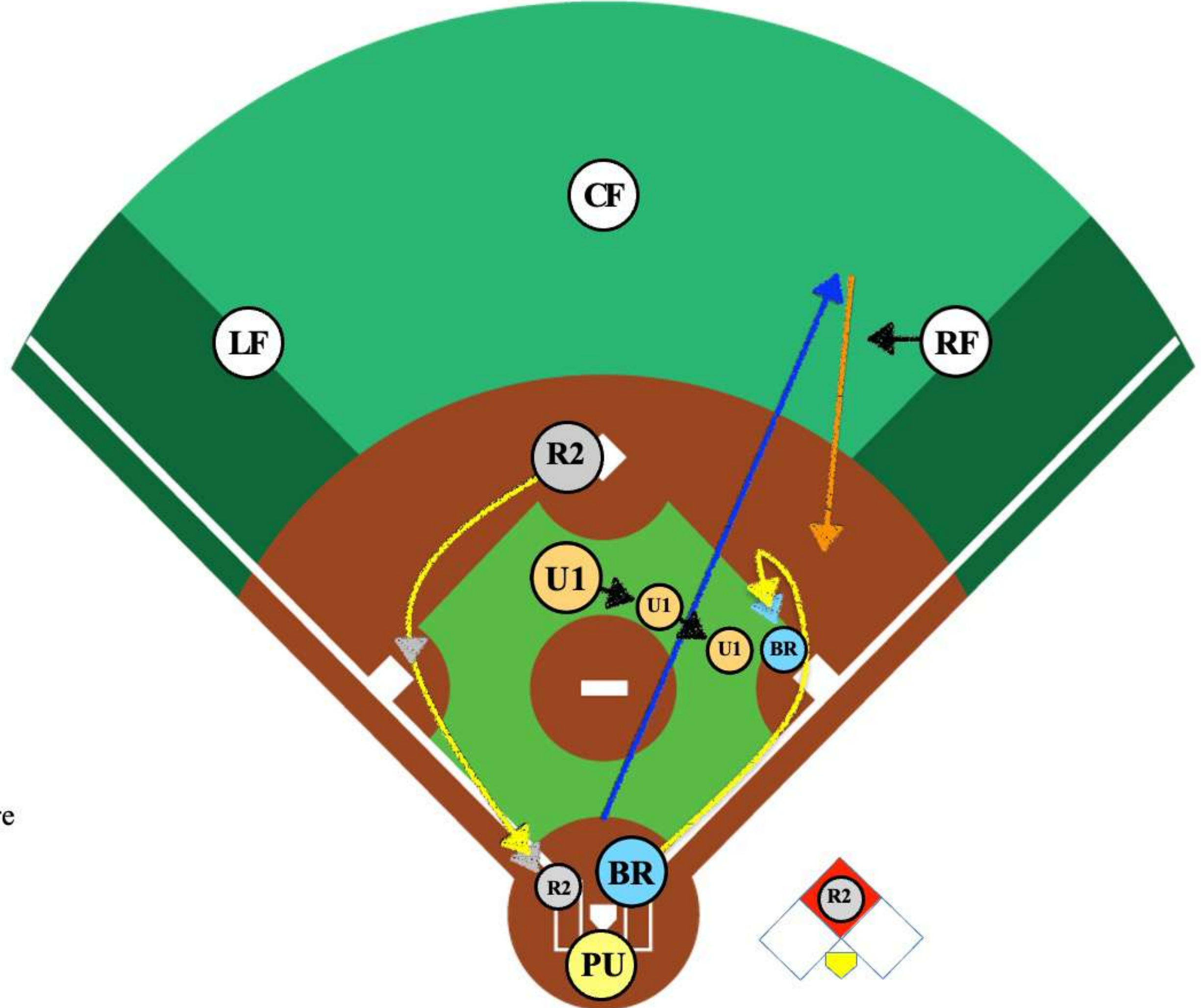
- ➡ Throw
- ➡ Runner's path
- ➡ Ground Ball
- BR** Batter-Runner
- R2** Runner on 2nd
- U1** 1st Base Umpire
- PU** Home Plate Umpire



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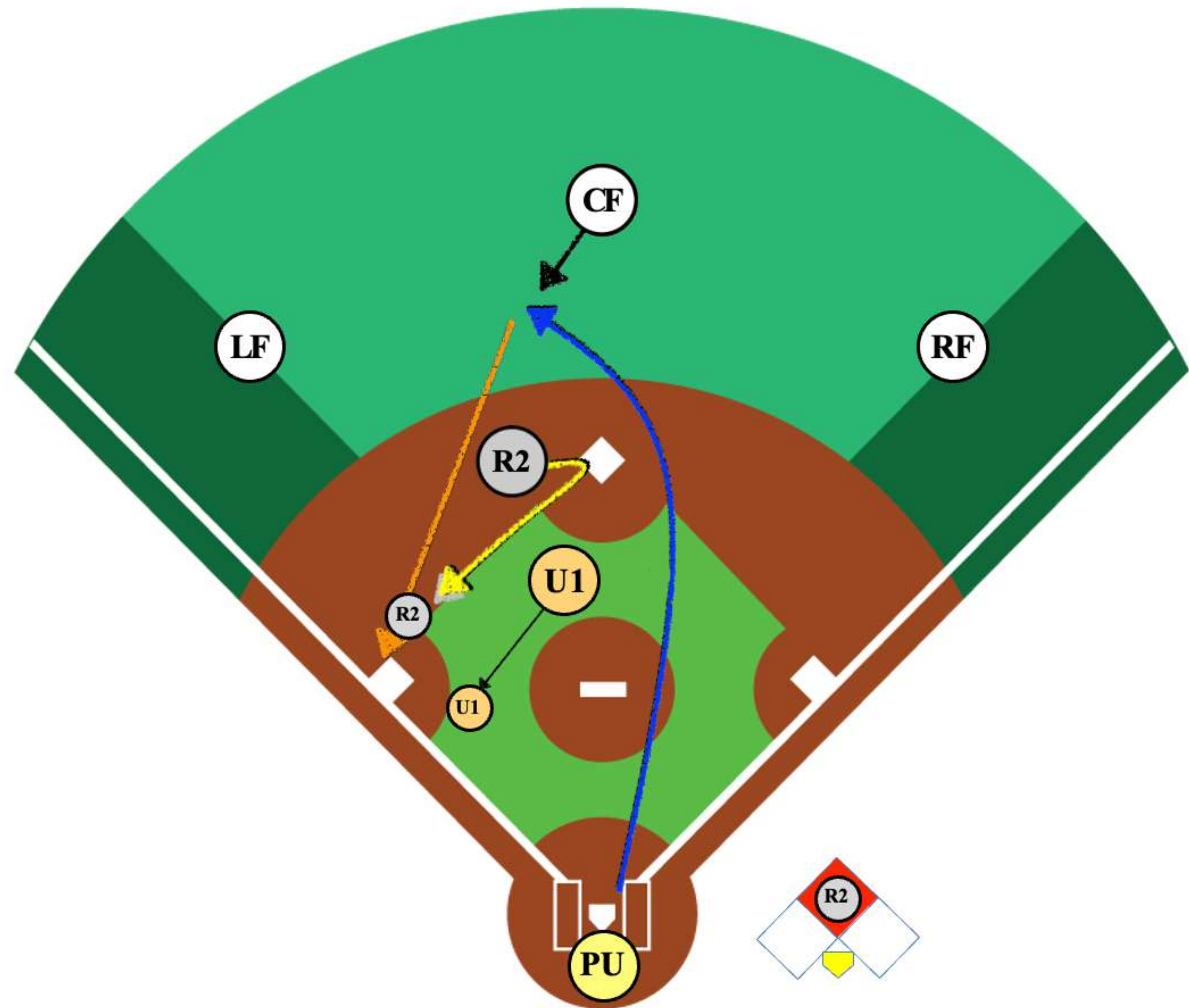
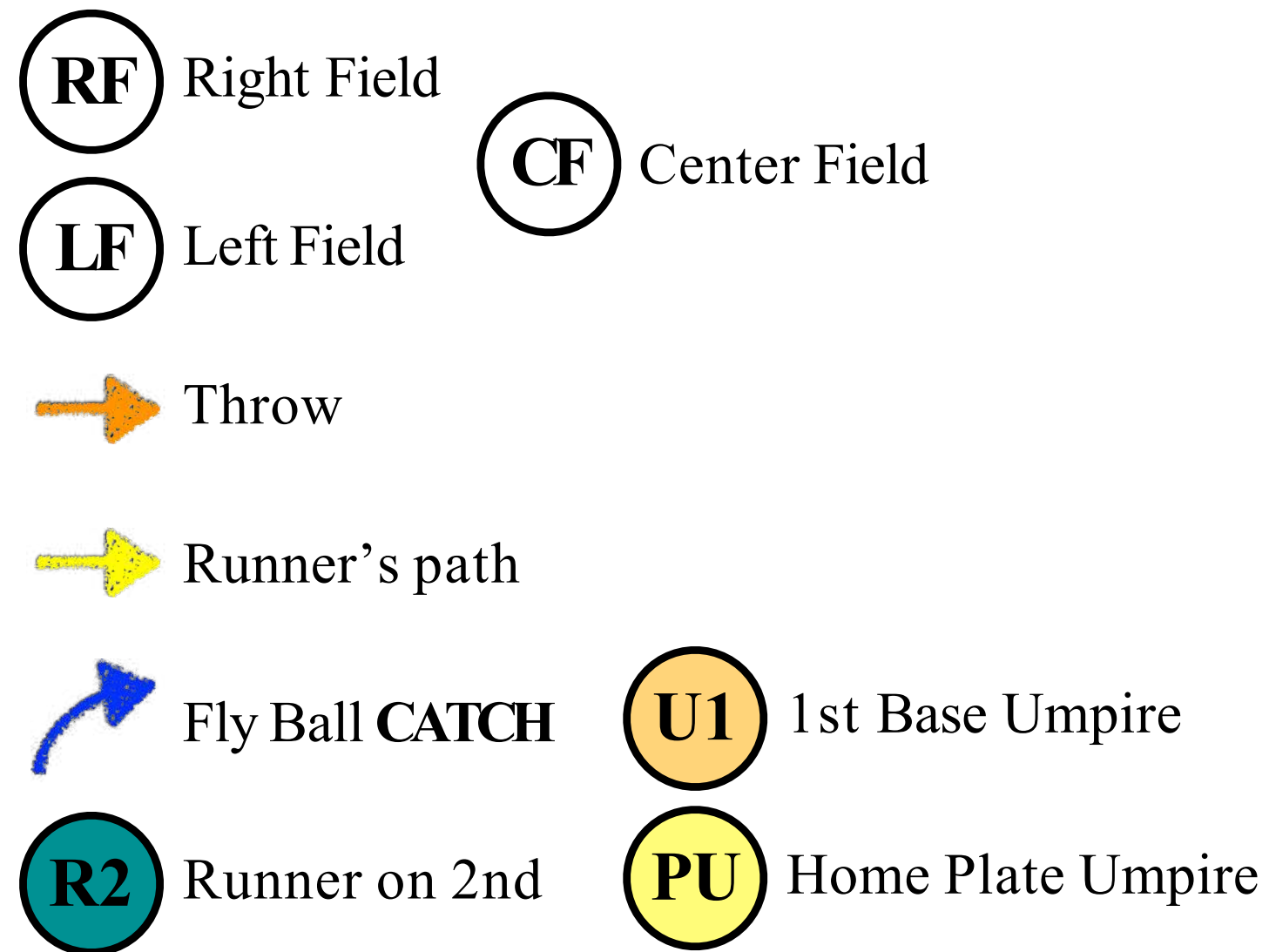
BASE HIT TO THE OUTFIELD

- RF** Right Field
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- CF** Center Field
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- BR** Batter-Runner
- R2** Runner on 2nd
- Throw**
- Runner's path**
- Ground Ball**



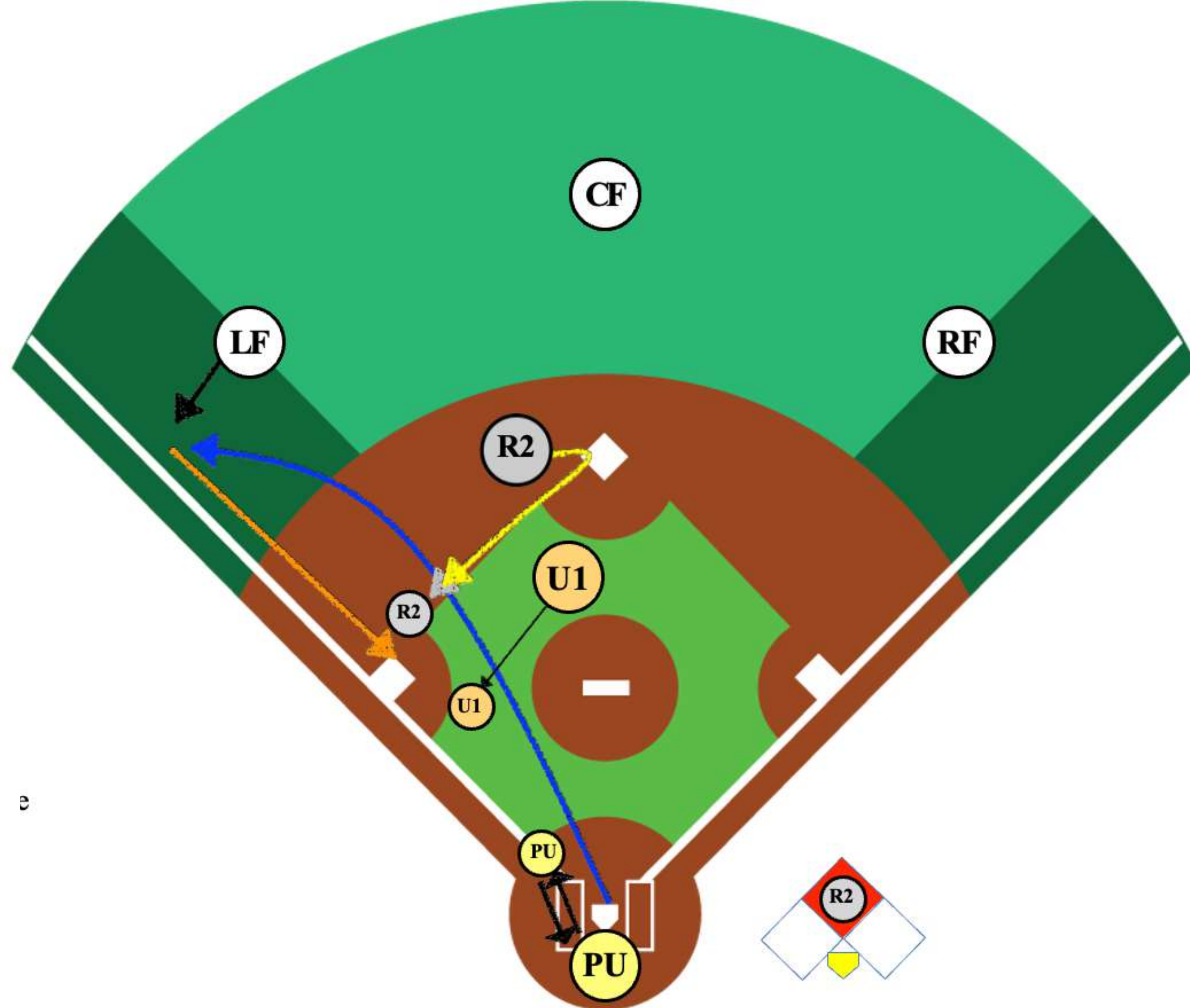
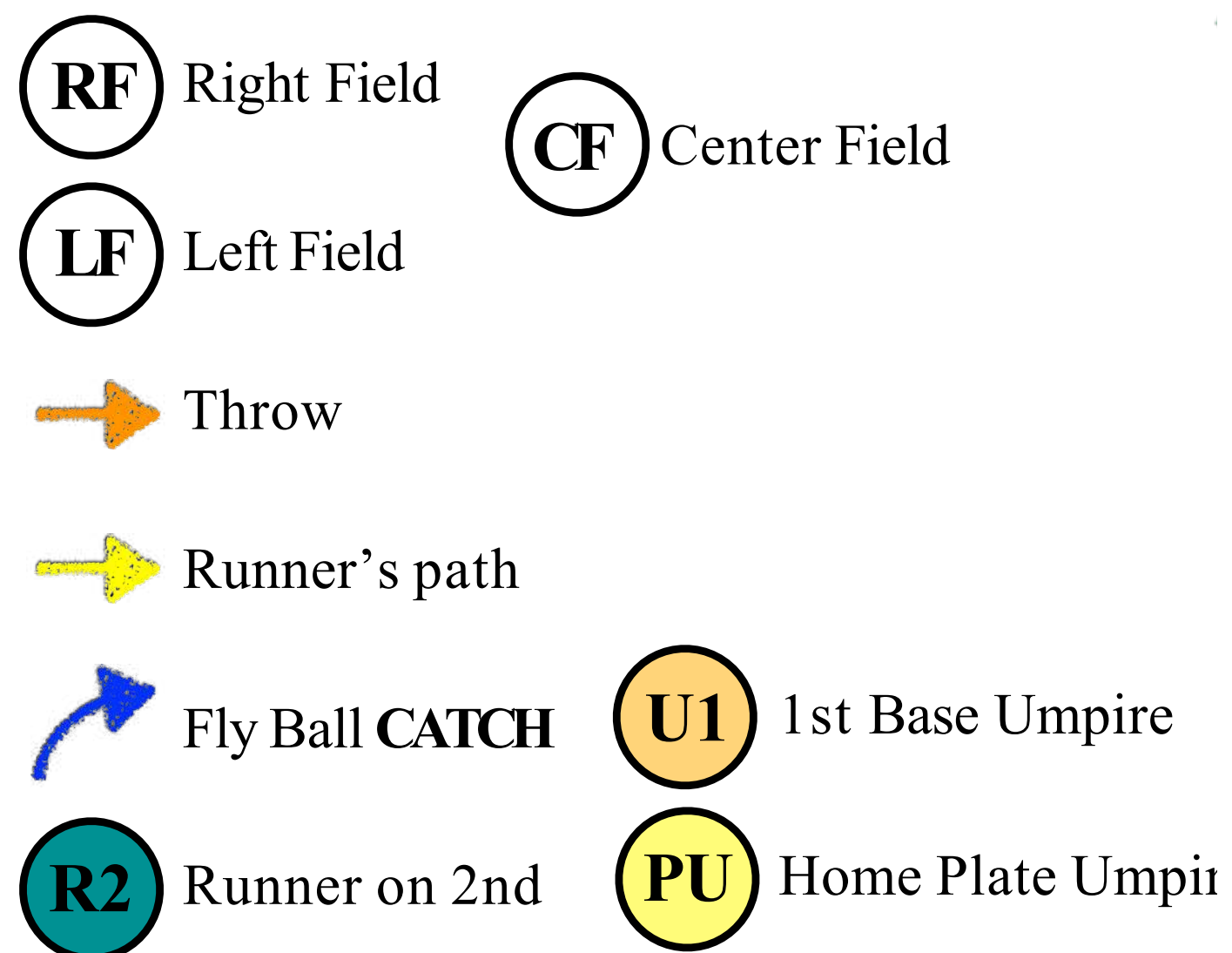
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FLY BALL TO CENTER FIELD CATCH



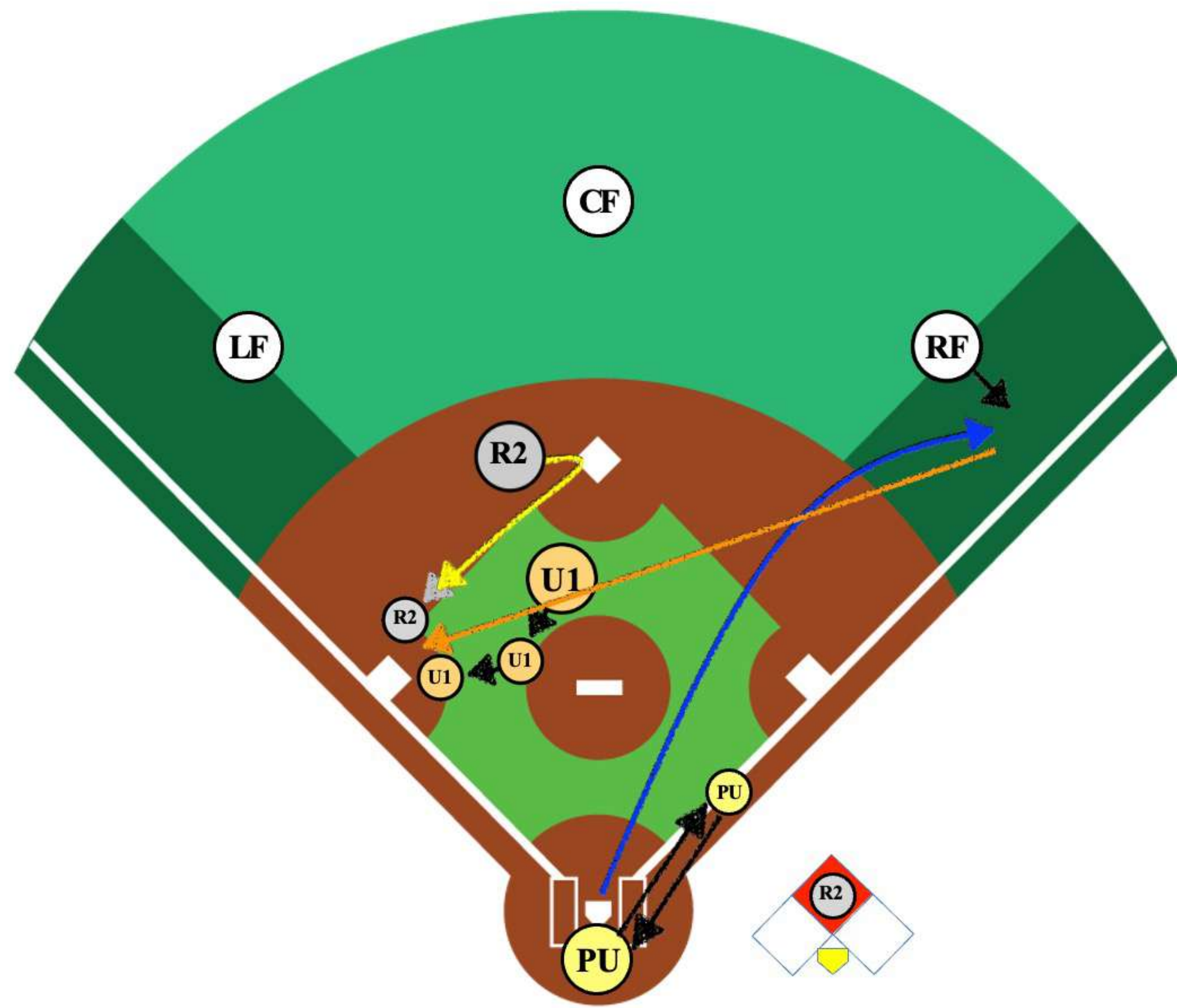
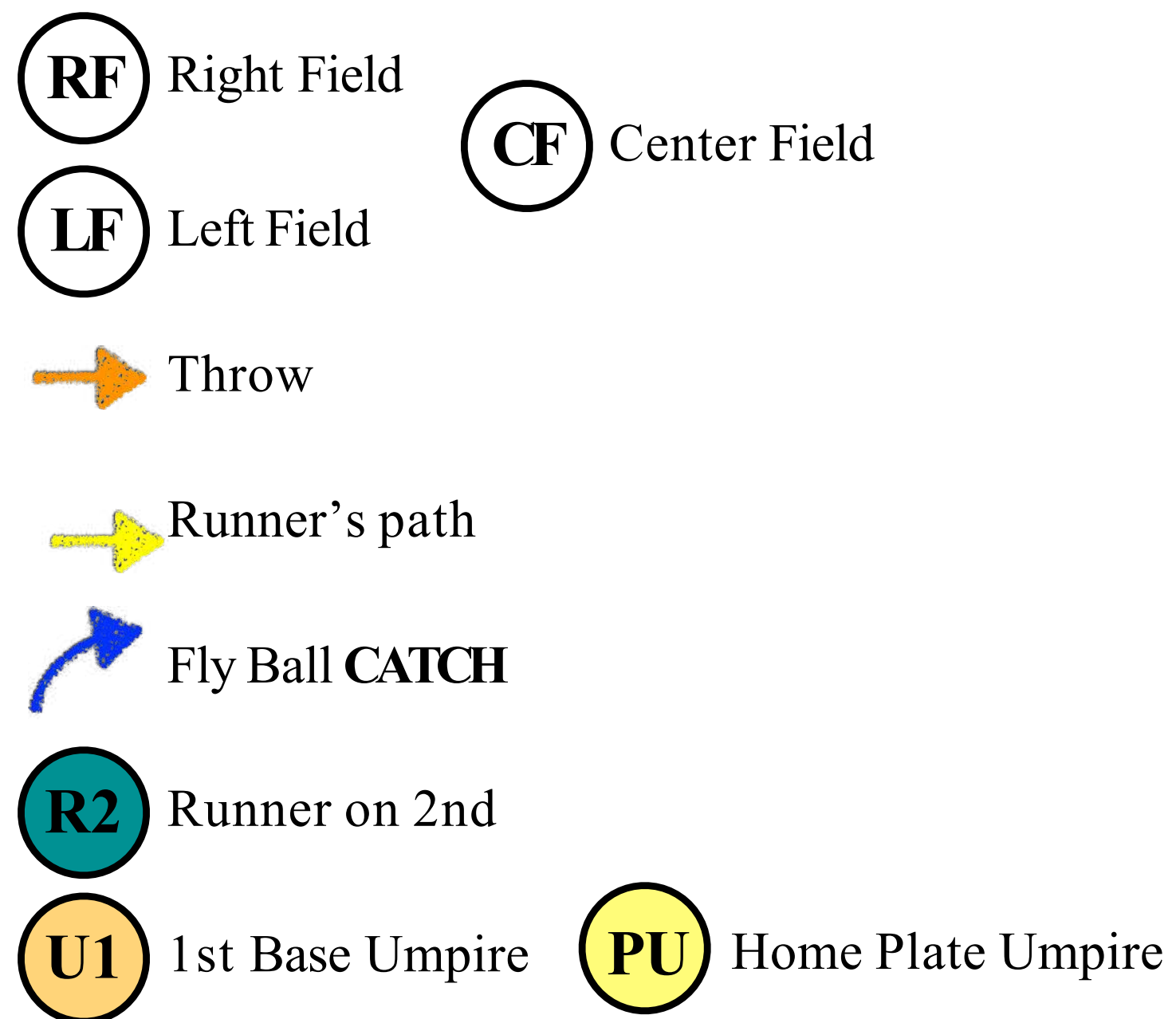
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FLY BALL TO LEFT FIELD LINE CATCH



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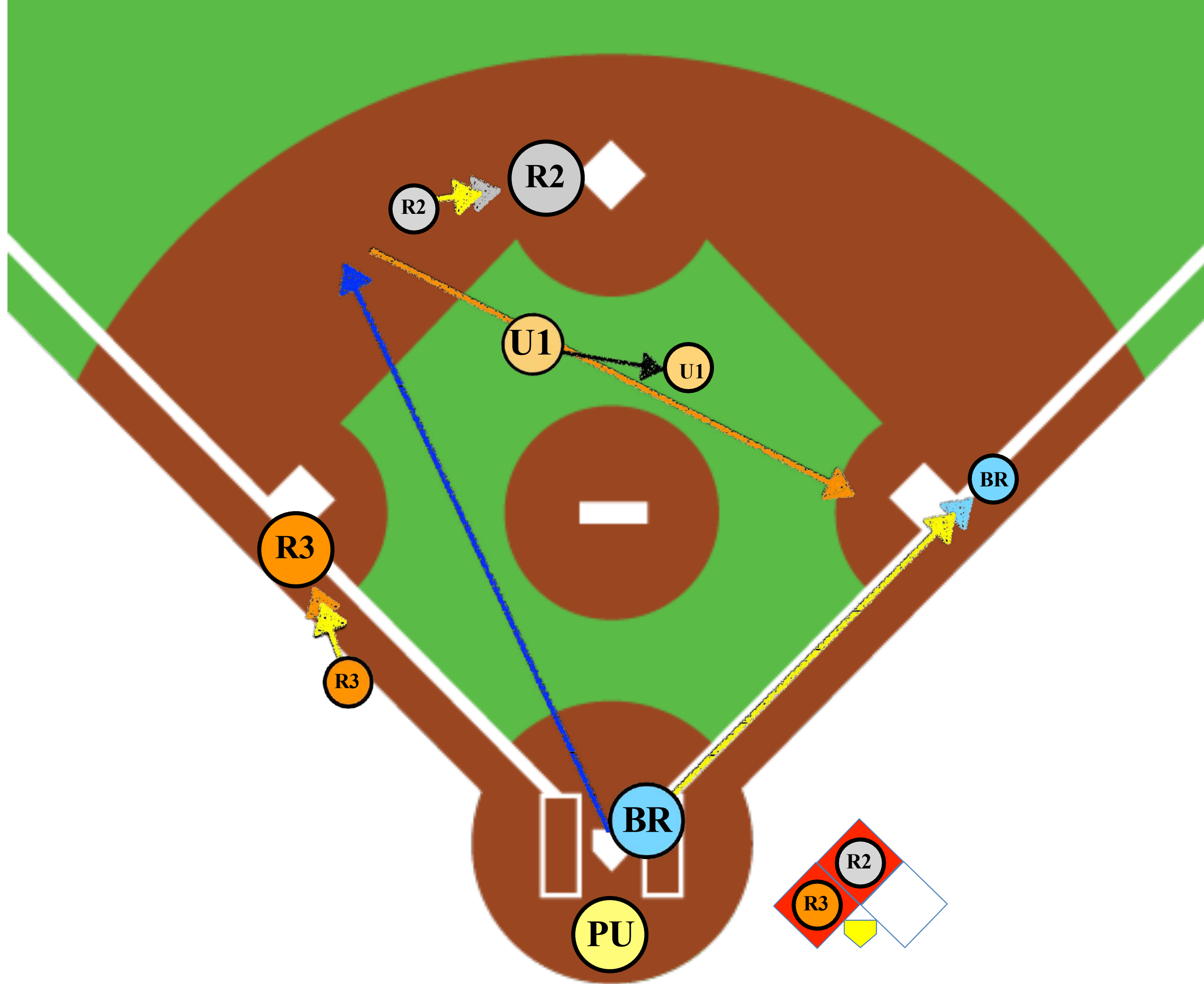
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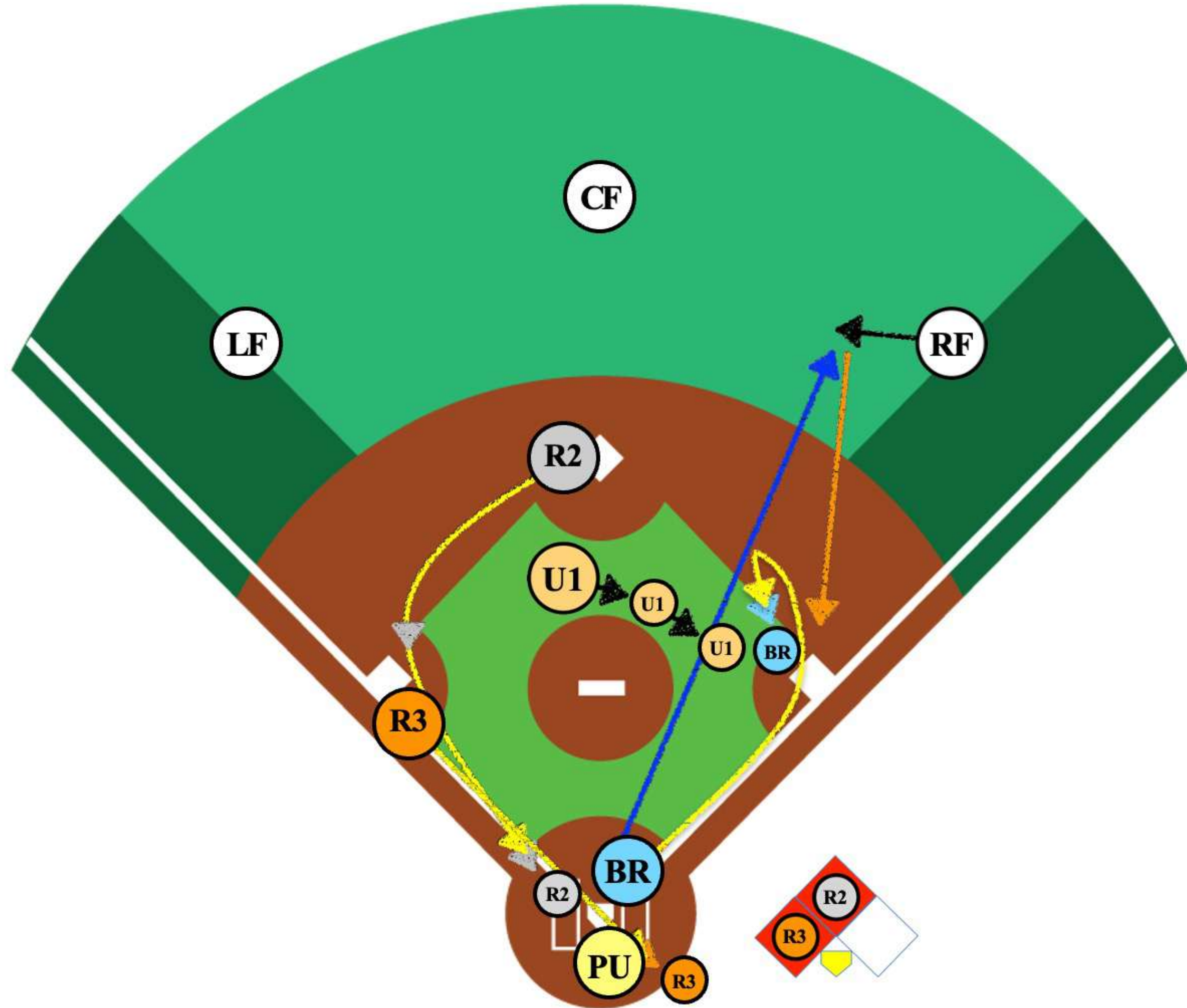
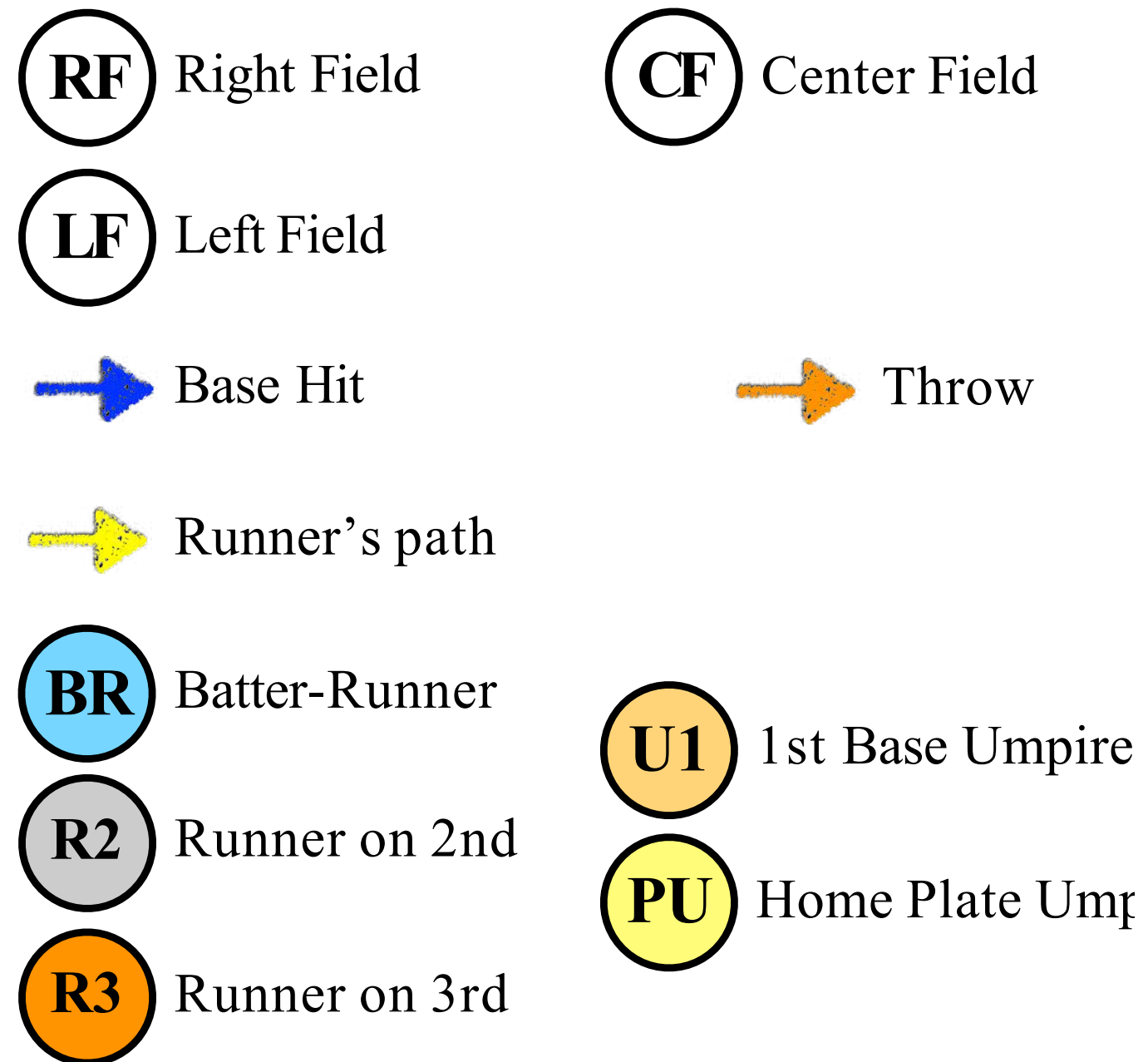
PLAYS WITHIN THE INFIELD ON AN OVERTHROW

-  Wild Throw
-  Runner's path
-  Ground Ball
-  **BR** Batter-Runner
-  **R3** Runner on 3rd
-  **R2** Runner on 2nd
-  **U1** 1st Base Umpire
-  **PU** Home Plate Umpire



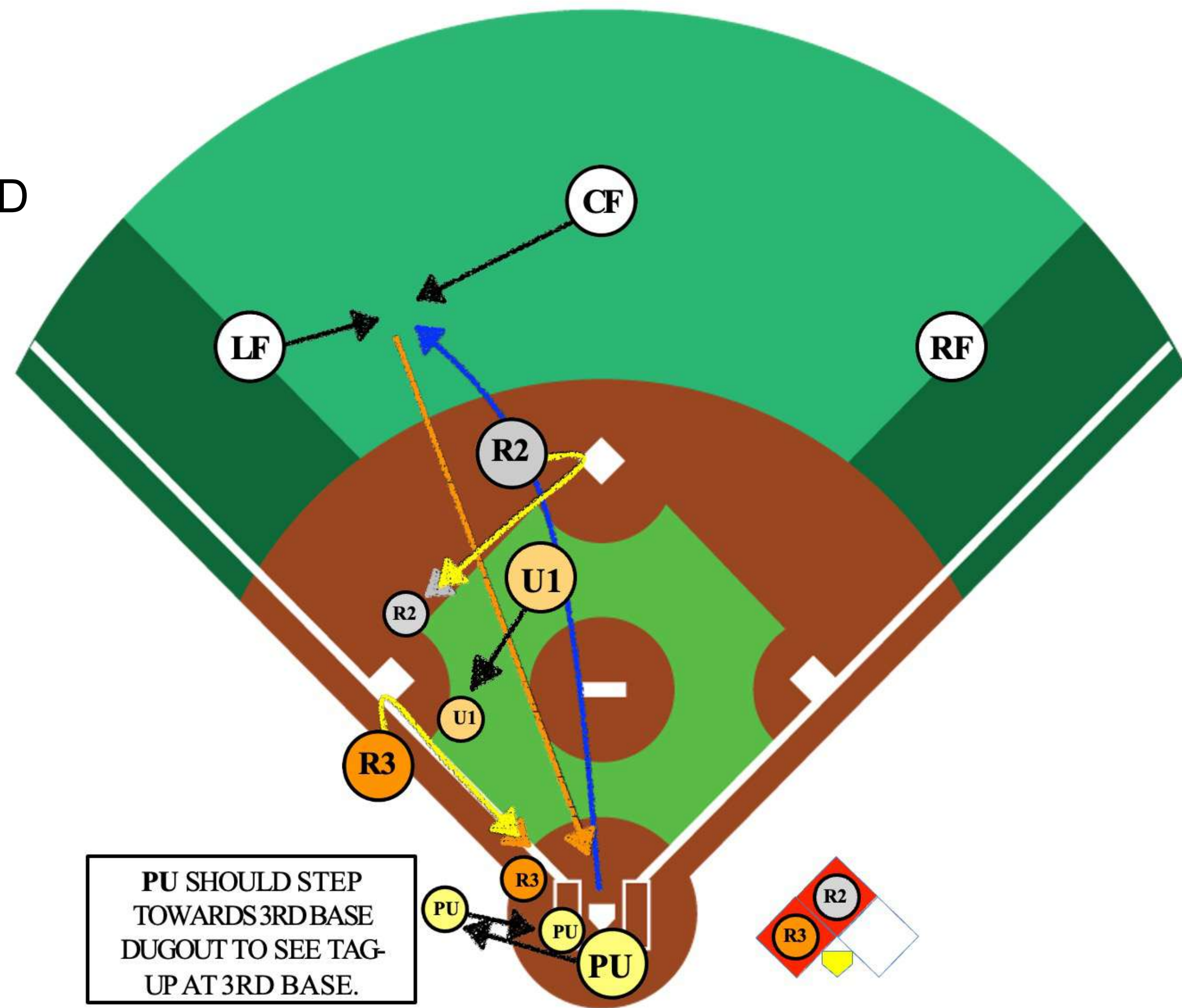
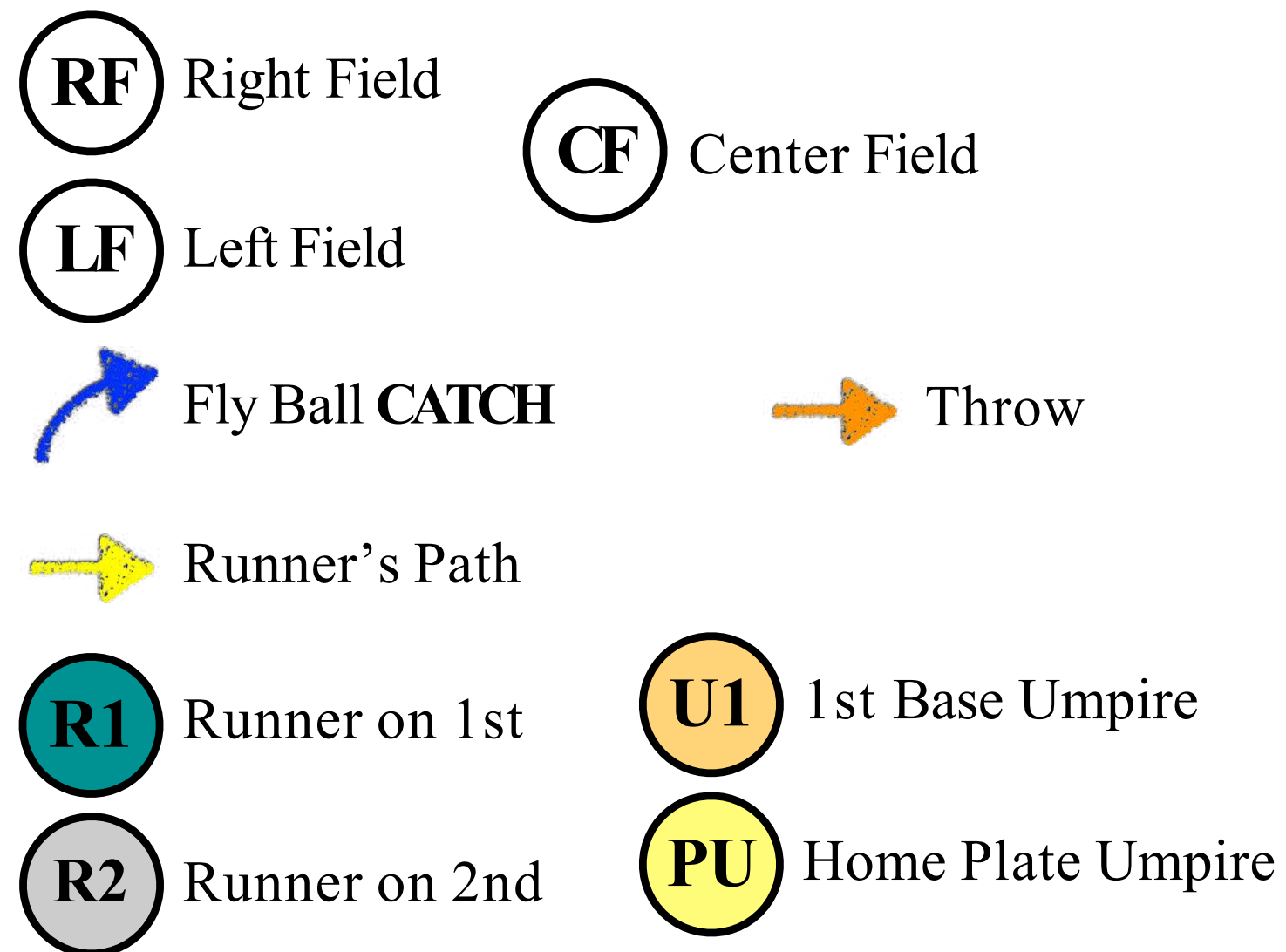
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BASE HIT TO THE OUTFIELD



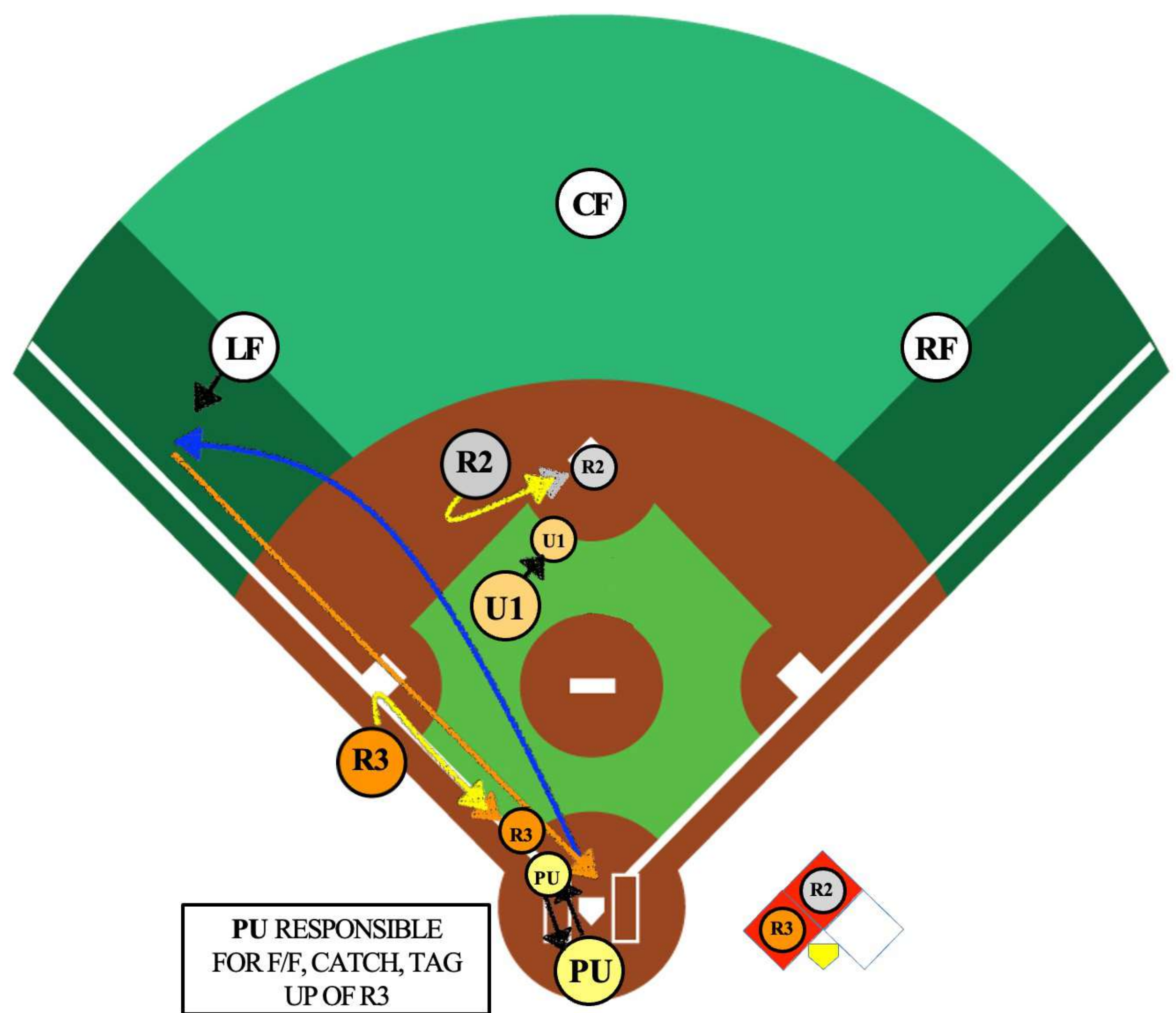
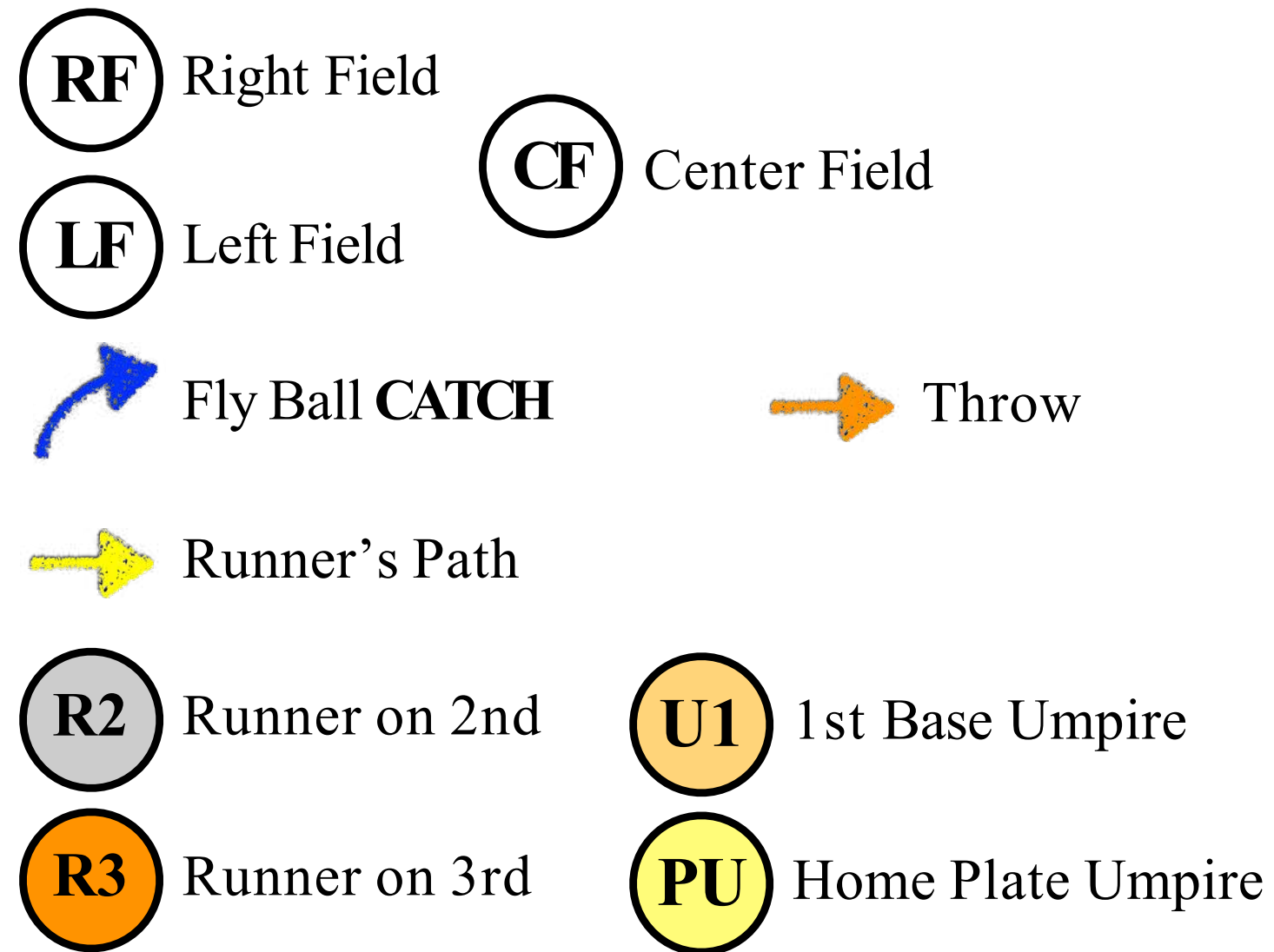
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FLYBALL TO LEFT | CENTER FIELD CATCH



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FLYBALL TO LEFT FIELD LINE CATCH



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FLYBALL TO RIGHT FIELD LINE CATCH

CF Center Field

RF Right Field

LF Left Field

 Fly Ball **CATCH**

 Runner's Path

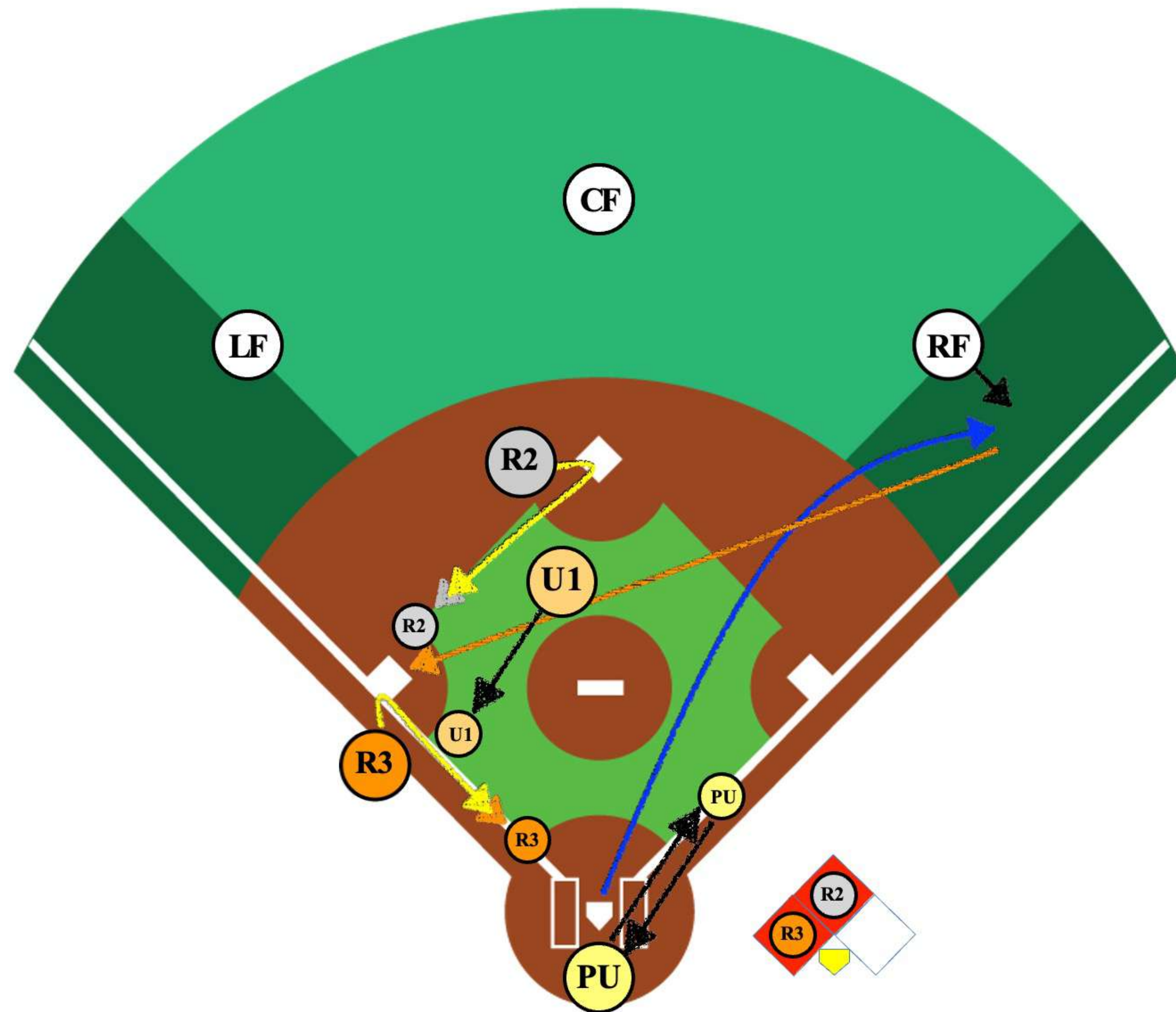
R2 Runner on 2nd

R3 Runner on 3rd

U1 1st Base Umpire

PU Home Plate Umpire

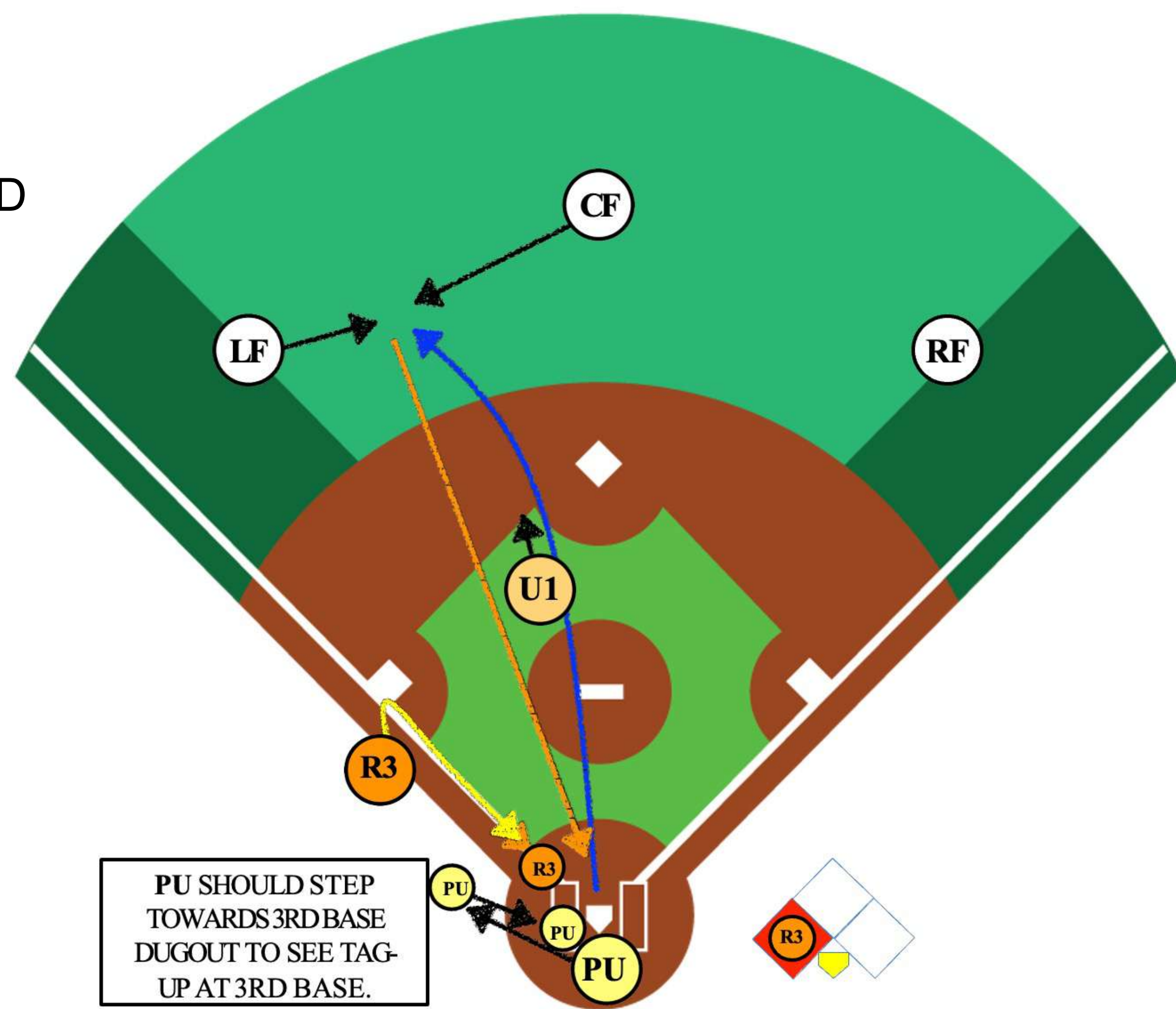
 Throw



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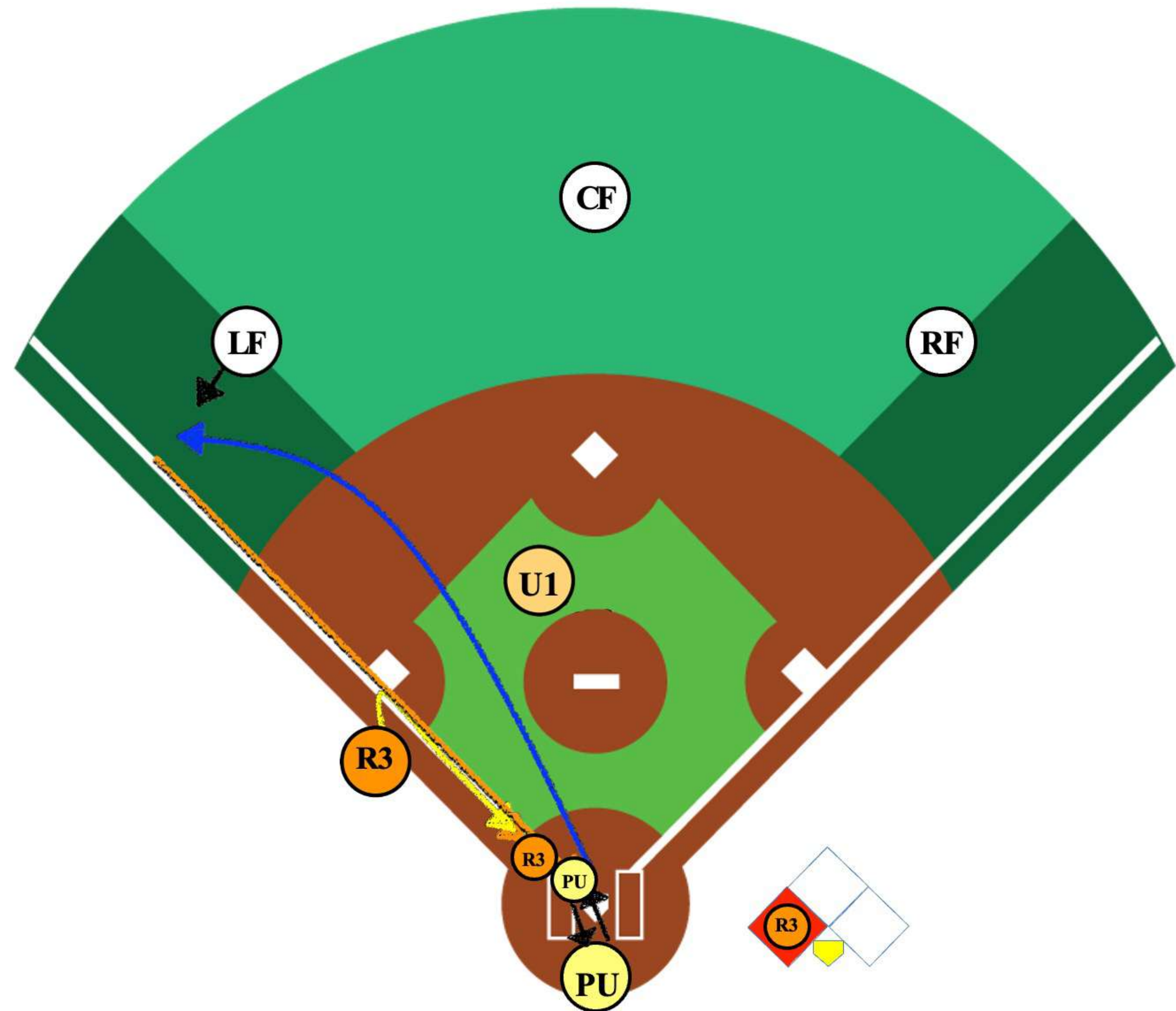
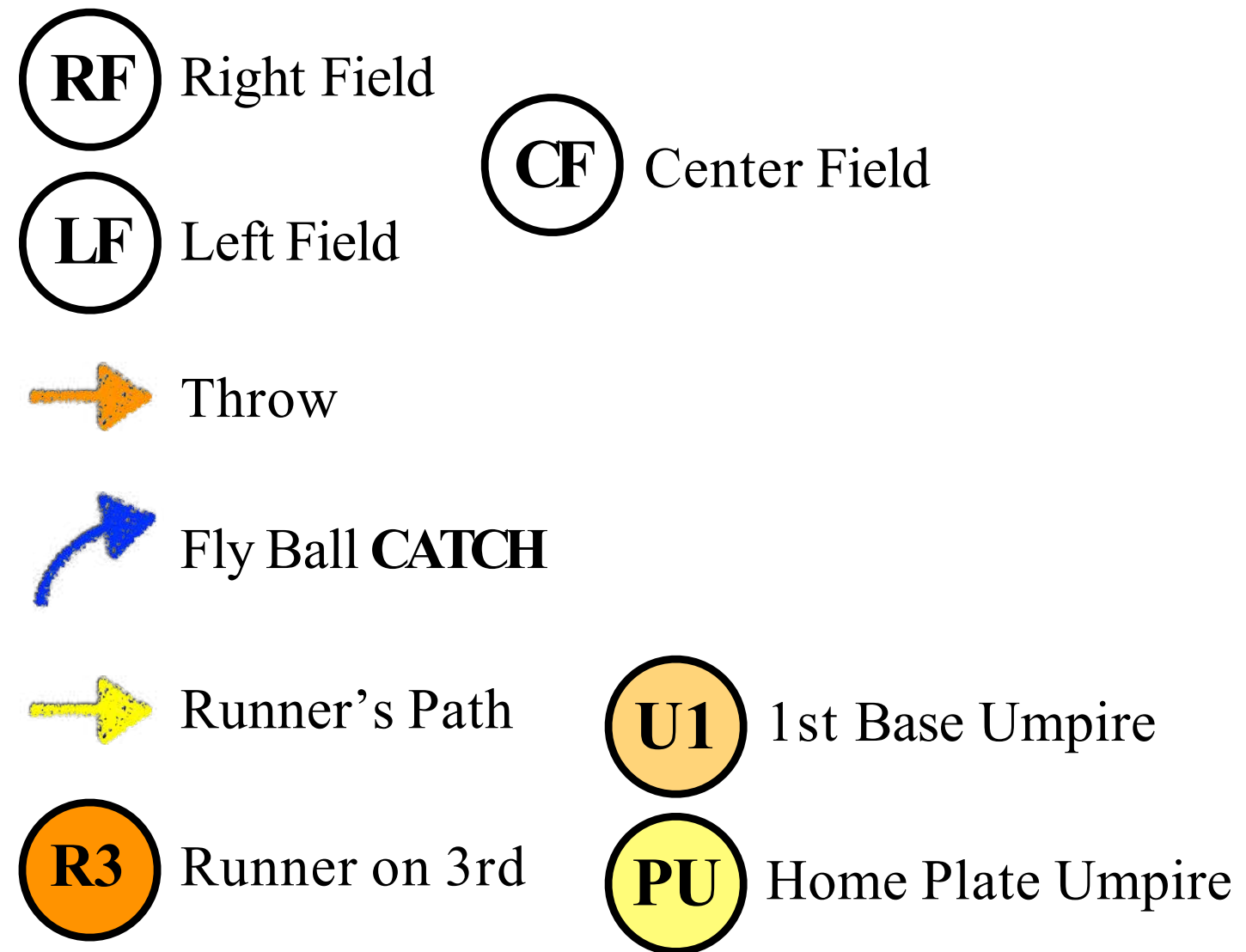
FLYBALL TO LEFT | CENTER FIELD CATCH

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- CF** Center Field
- Throw**
- Fly Ball CATCH**
- Runner's Path**
- R3** Runner on 3rd
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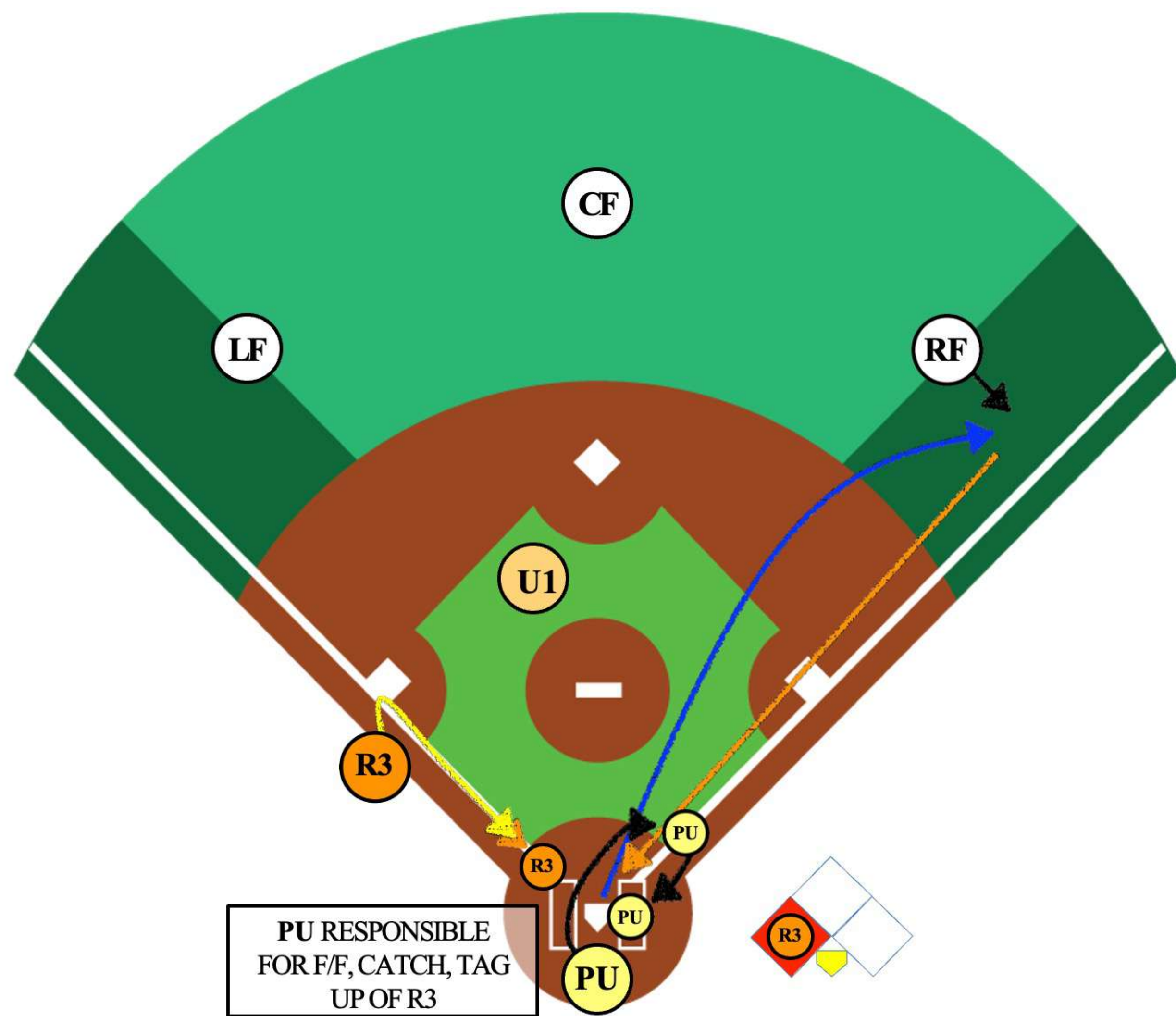
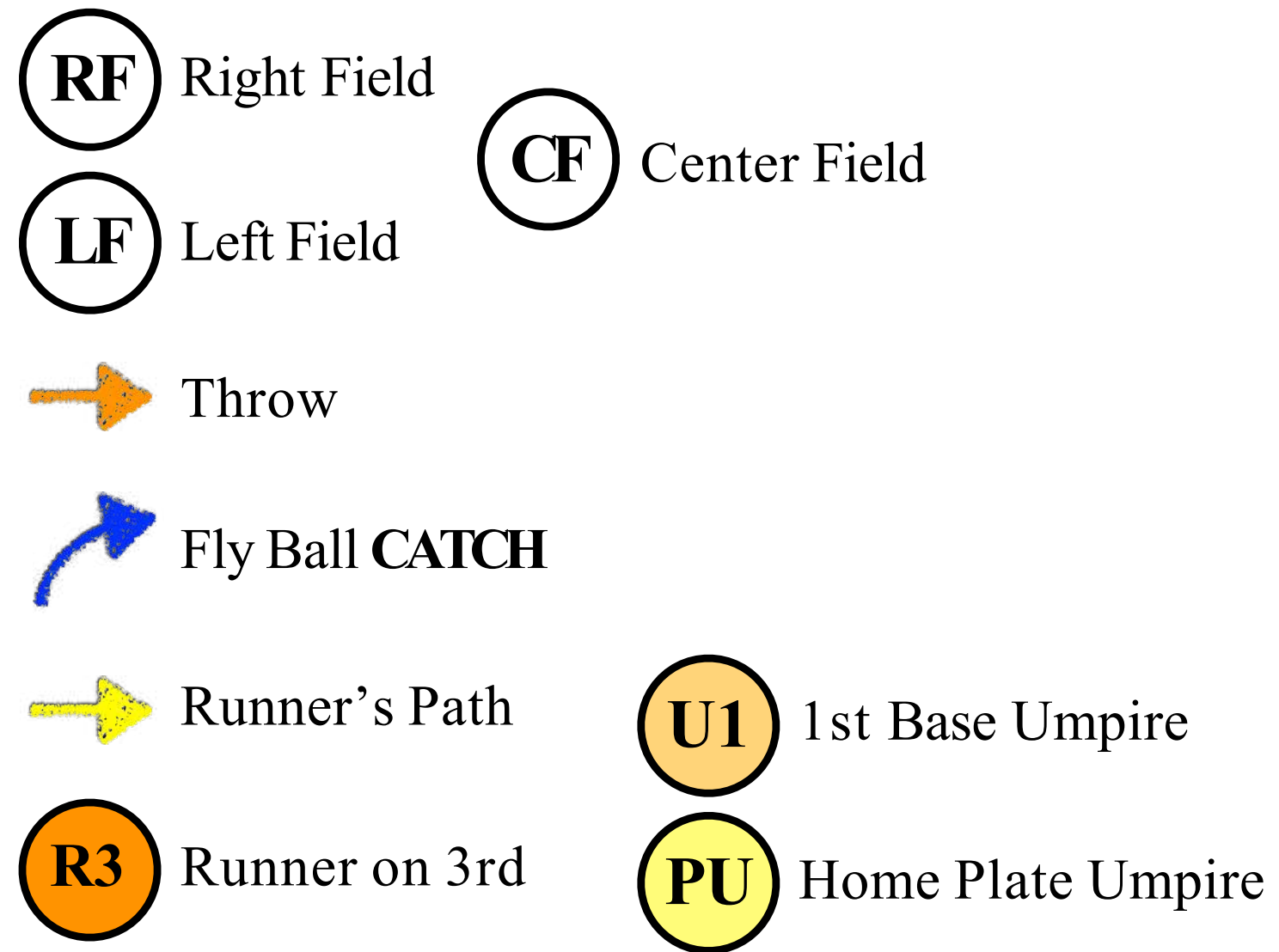
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FLYBALL TO LEFT FIELD LINE CATCH



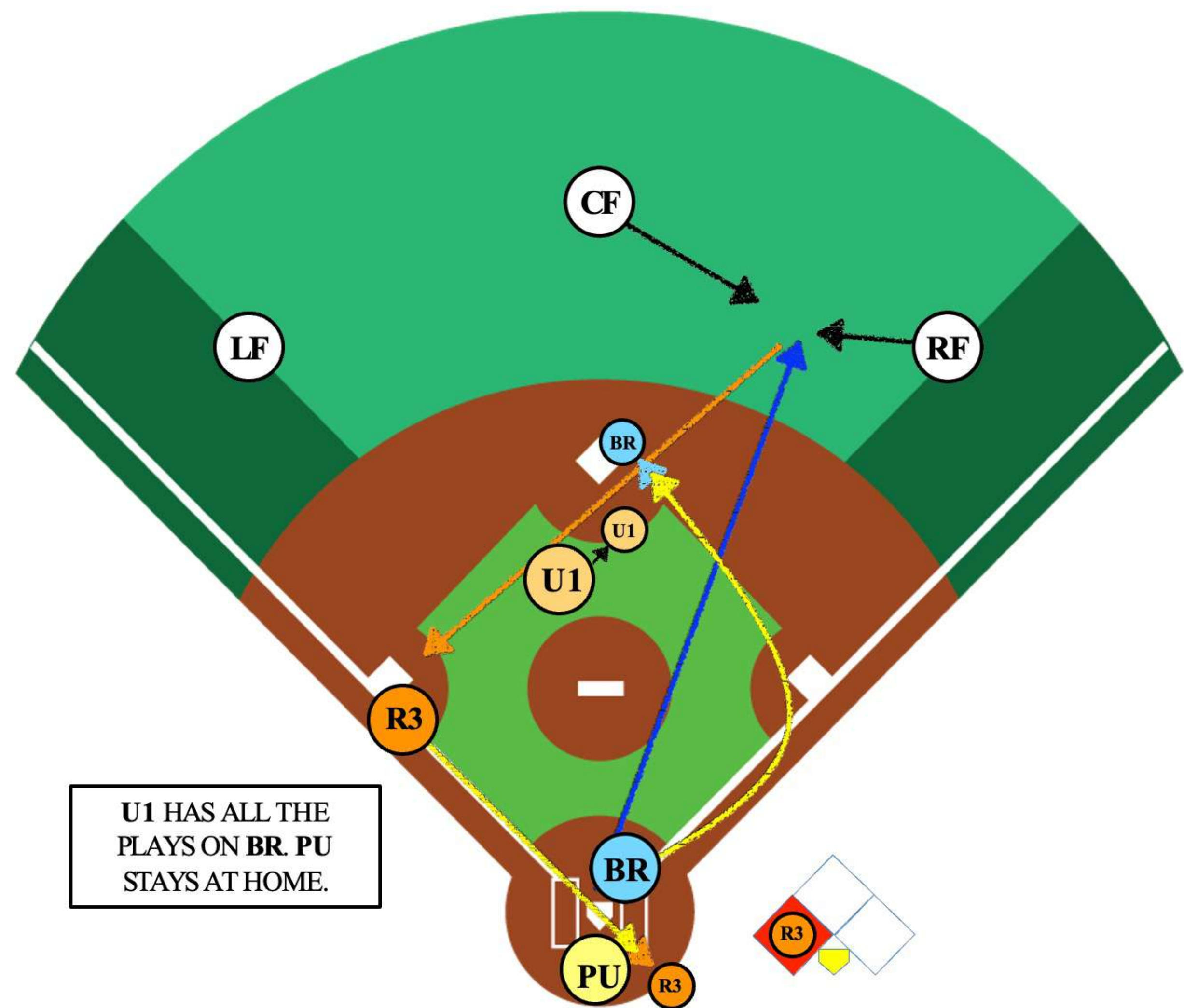
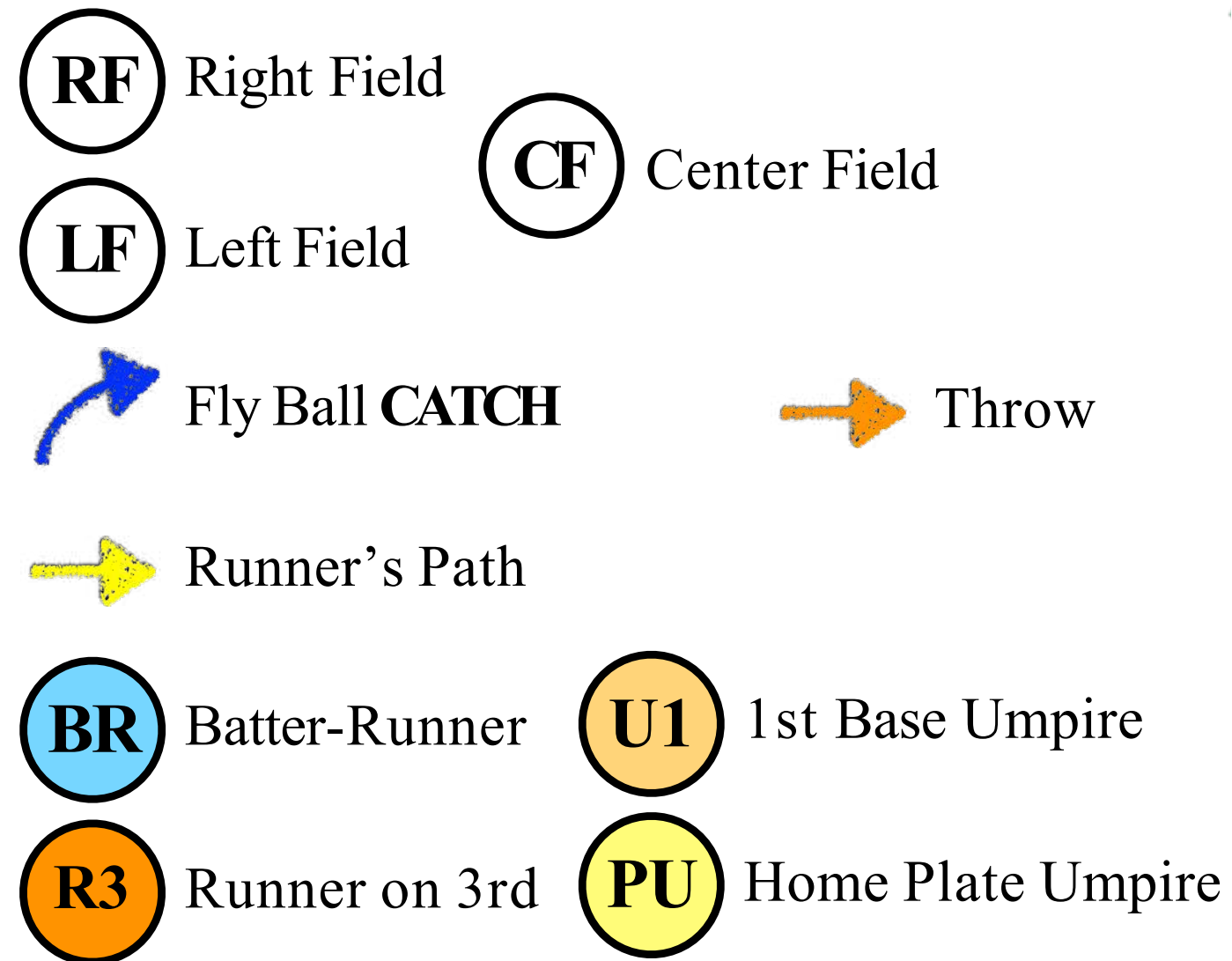
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FLYBALL TO RIGHT FIELD LINE CATCH



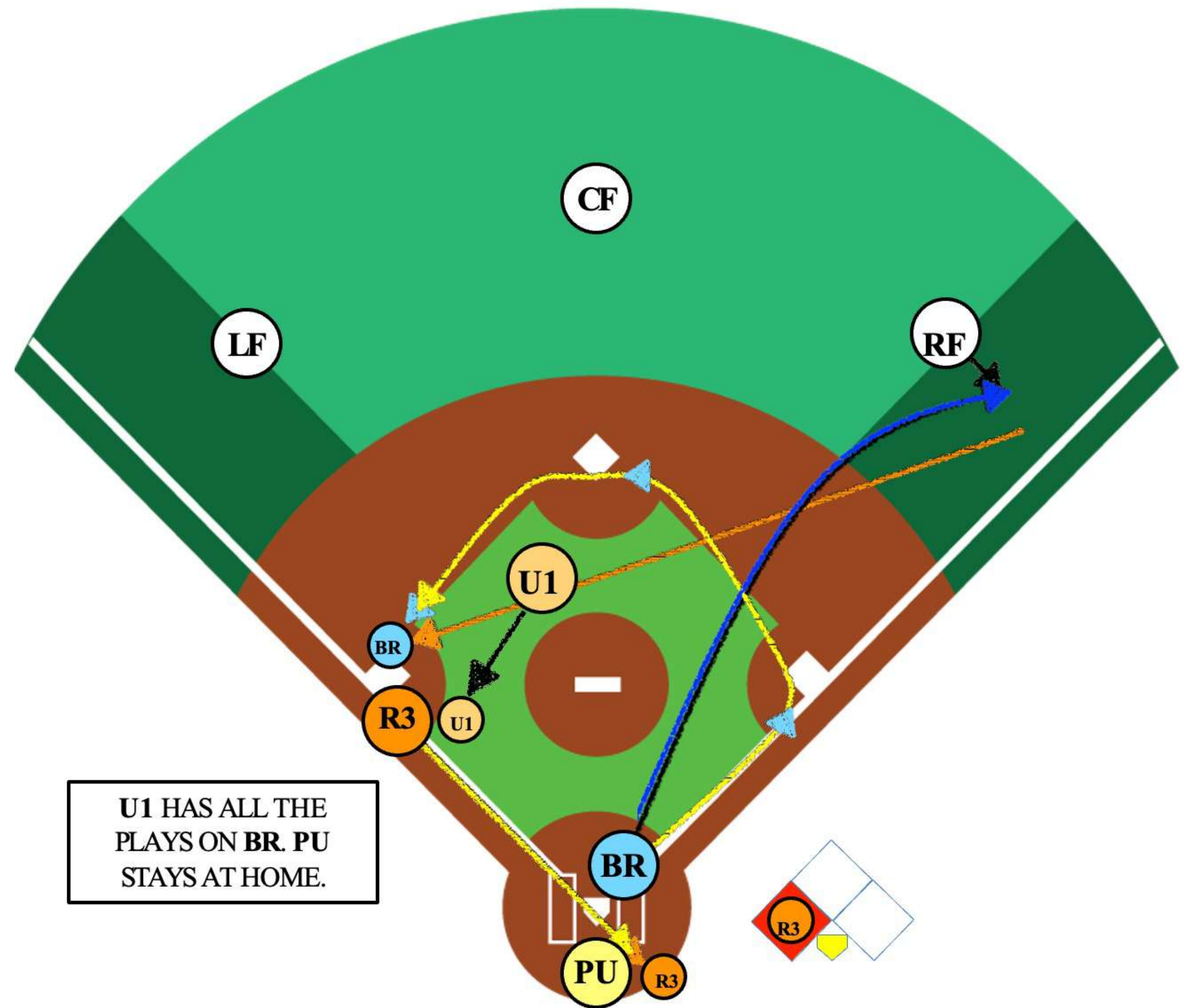
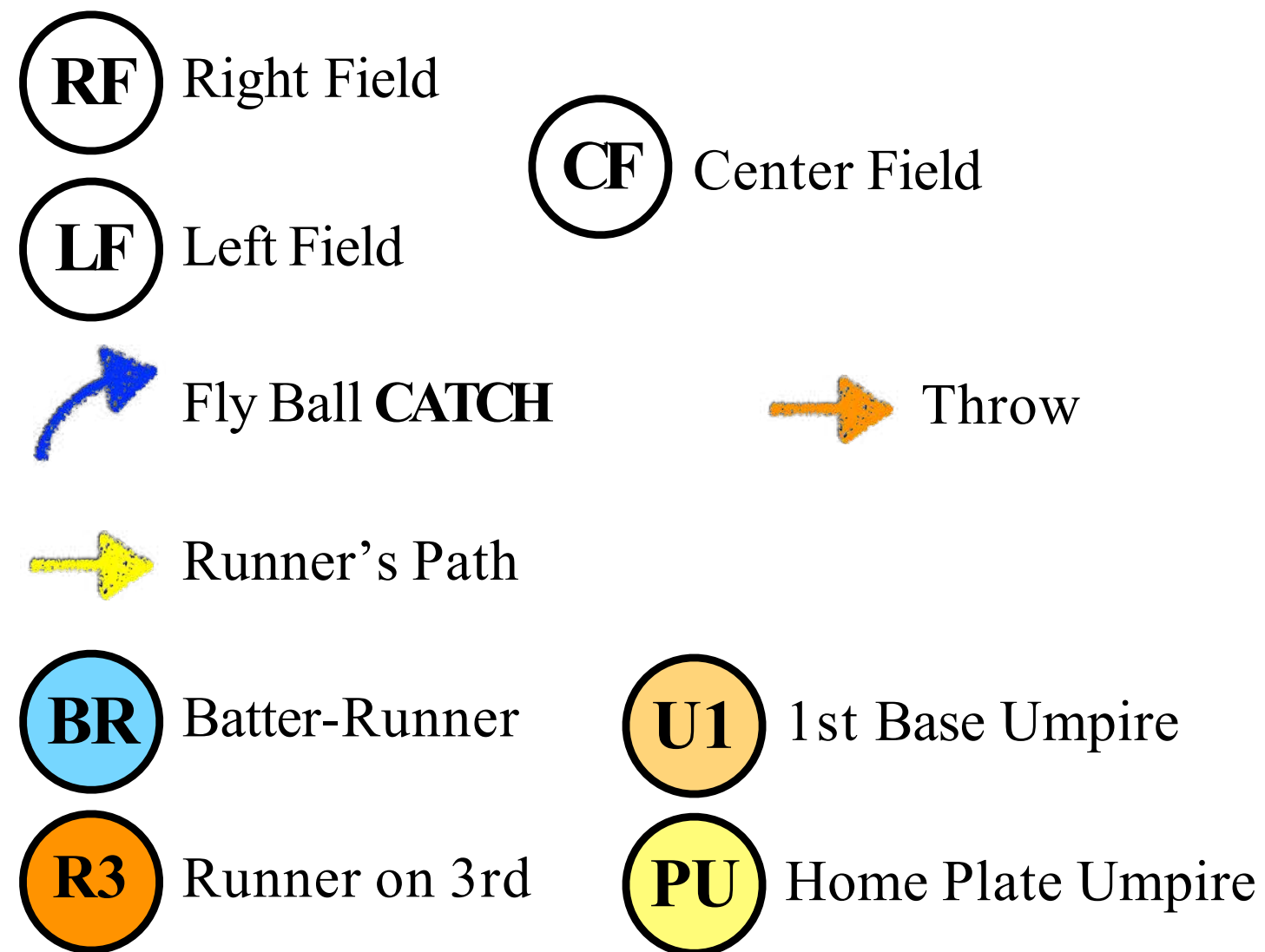
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BASE HIT TO OUTFIELD



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