

# 2 UMPIRE MECHANISM

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# MECHANICS CONCEPT

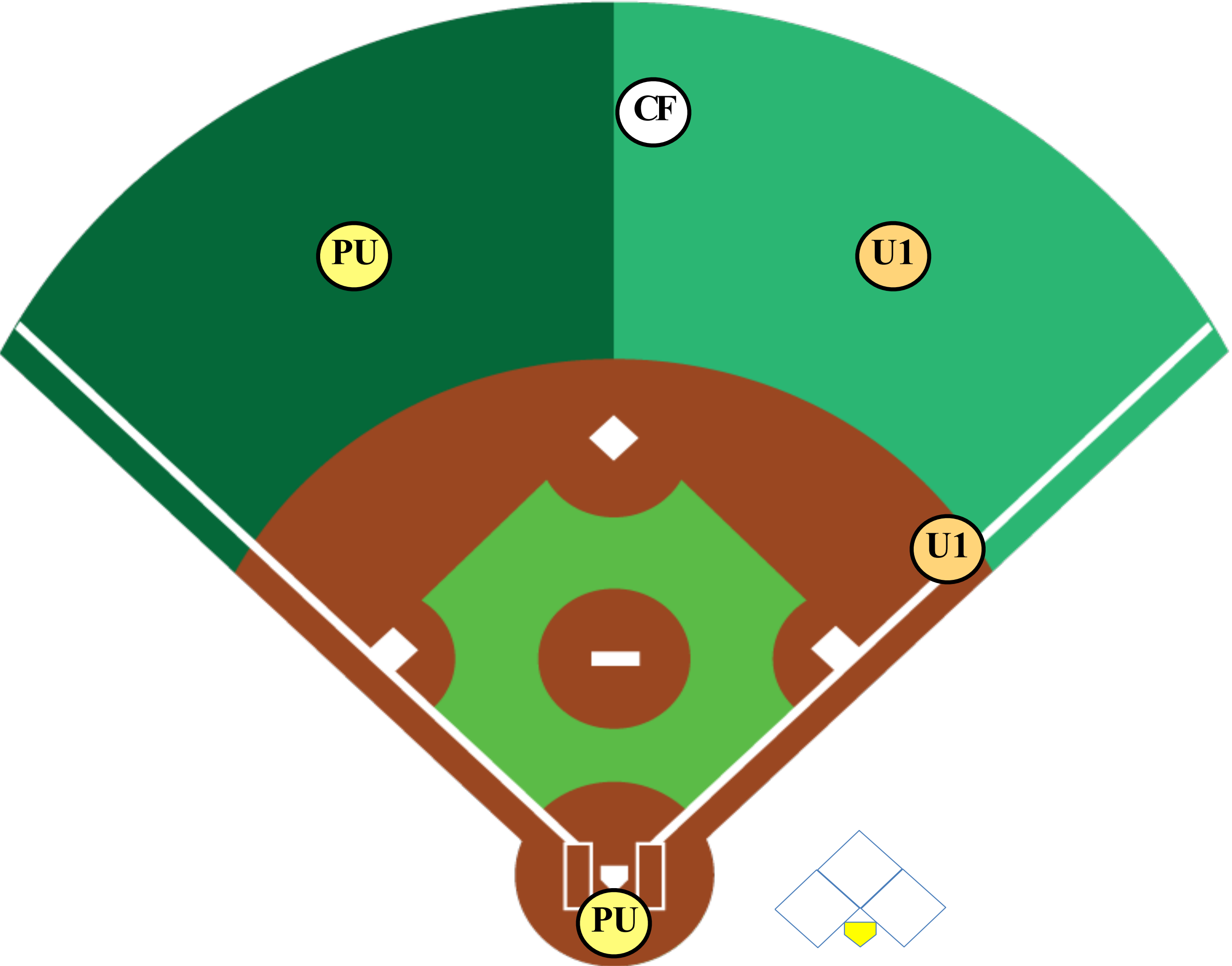
- UNLESS PU has Fair/Foul responsibilities on the 1B foul line, the PU rotates to third base in the following scenarios:
  - 1st base only – ALWAYS
  - 1st and 2nd – Fly ball, tag-up of R2
  - 1st and 3rd – Base hit
- PU has always all touches and tag-ups at third base, with the exception of the batter-runner
- 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.

# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

## INITIAL POSITIONS & OUTFIELD COVERAGE

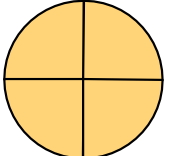
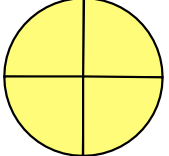


U1 HAS CF STRAIGHT IN, BACK, TO CF LEFT + ALL THE WAY TO RF FENCE.

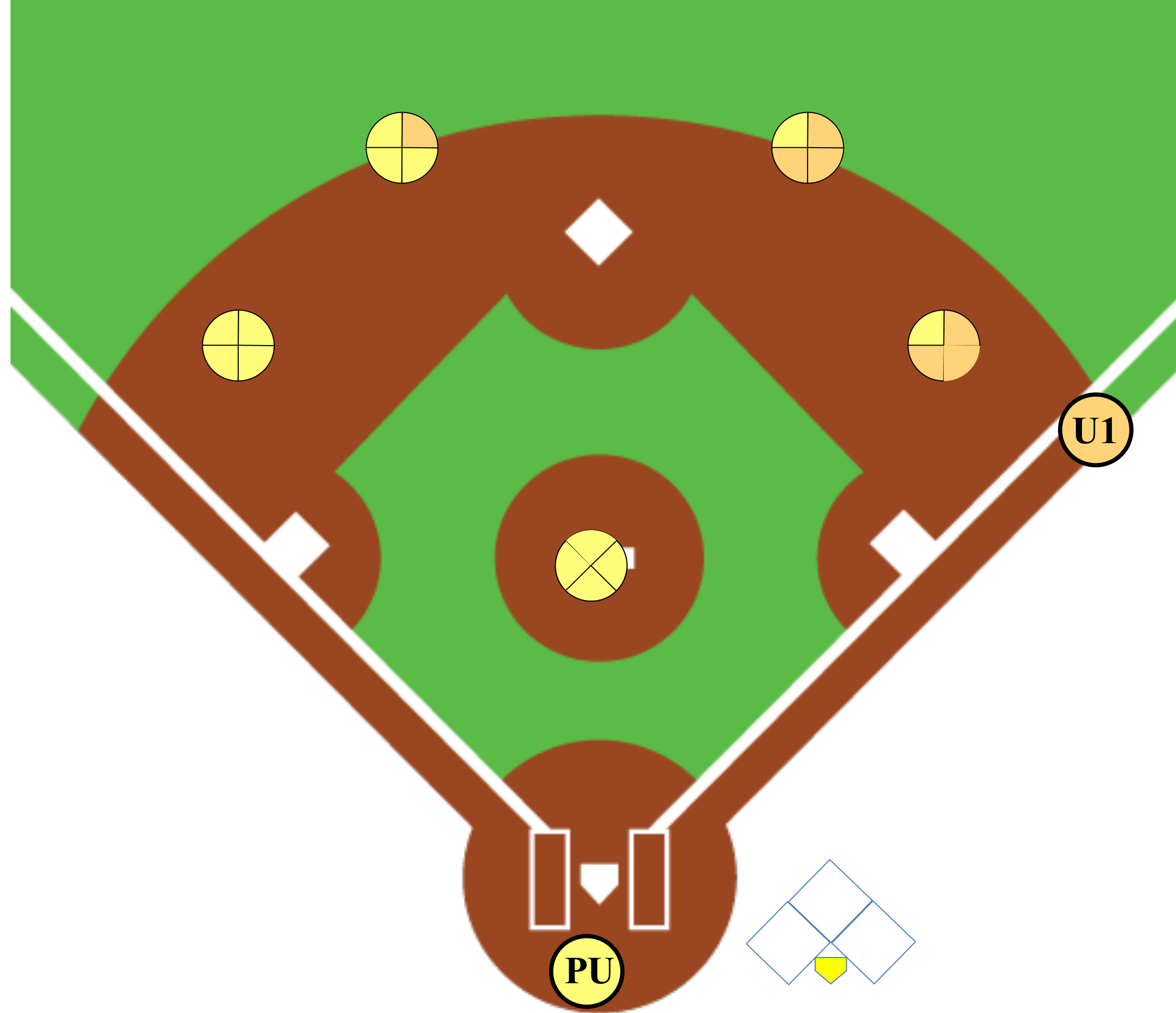
- CF** Center Field
- U1** 1st Base Umpire
- PU** Home Plate Umpire



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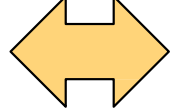
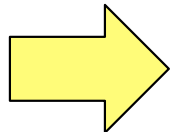


## INFIELD CATCH COVERAGE

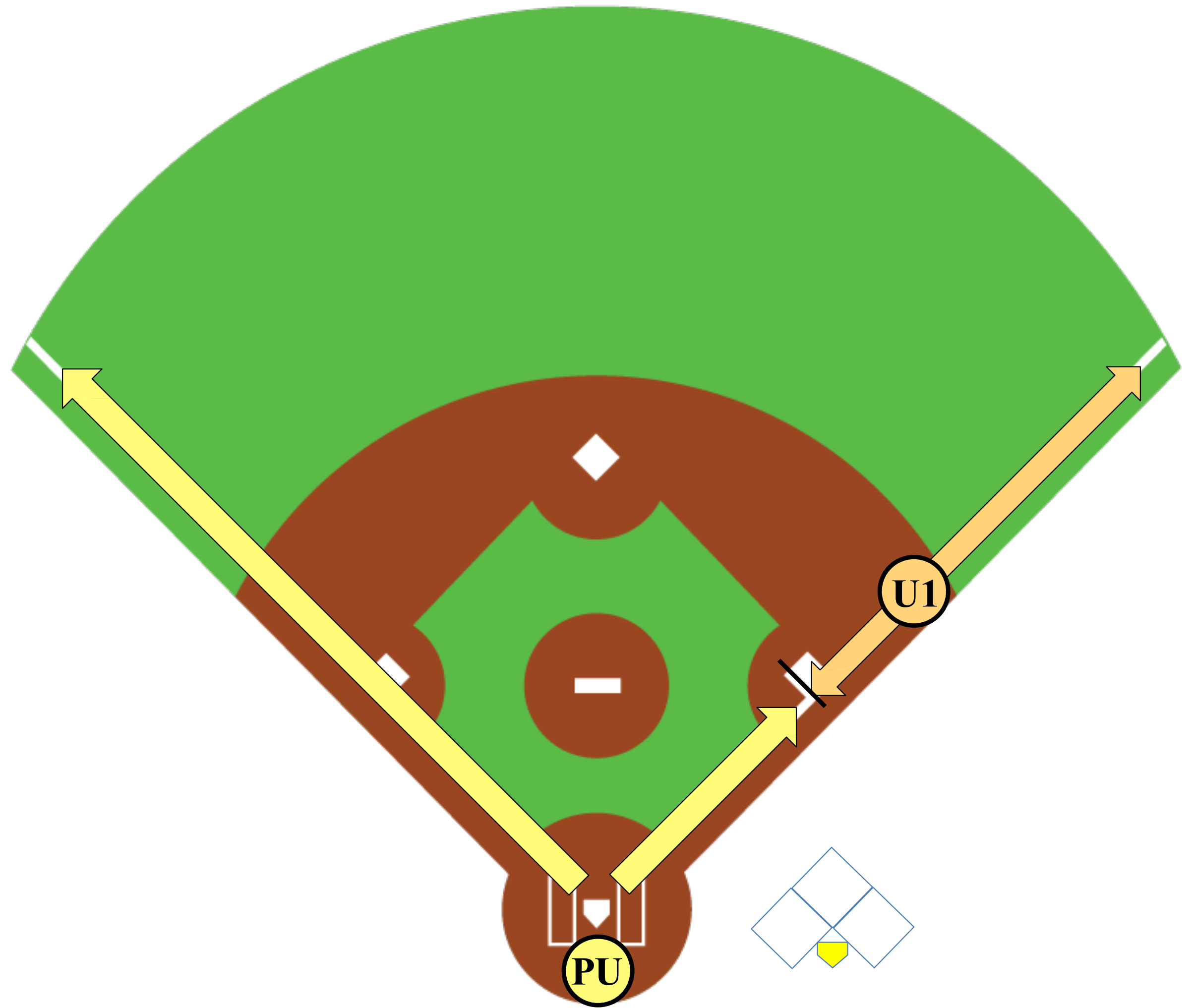
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## FAIR | FOUL COVERAGE

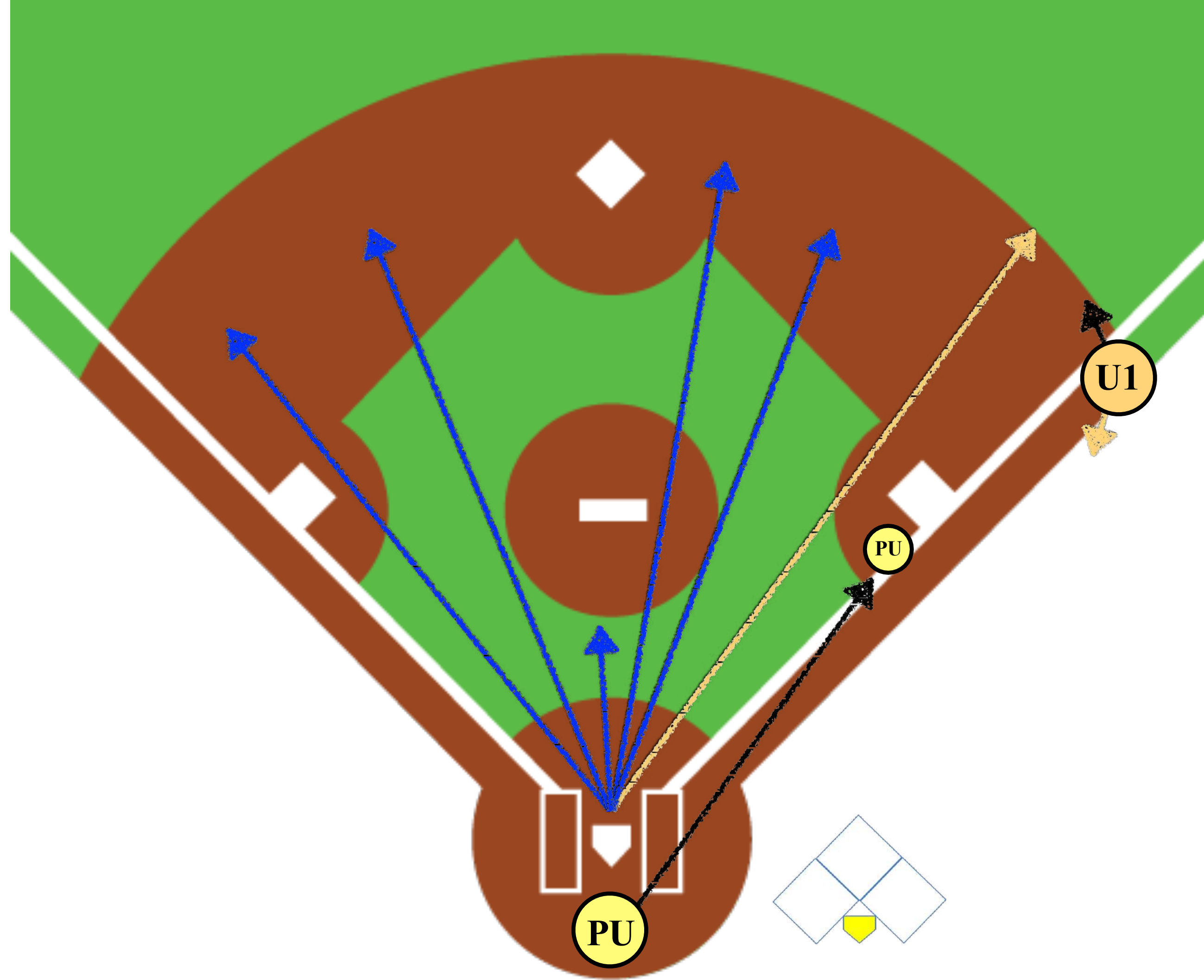
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COVERAGE FOR ALL  
PLAYS IN THE INFIELD

-  Ground Ball
-  Ground Ball
-  1st Base Umpire
-  Home Plate Umpire



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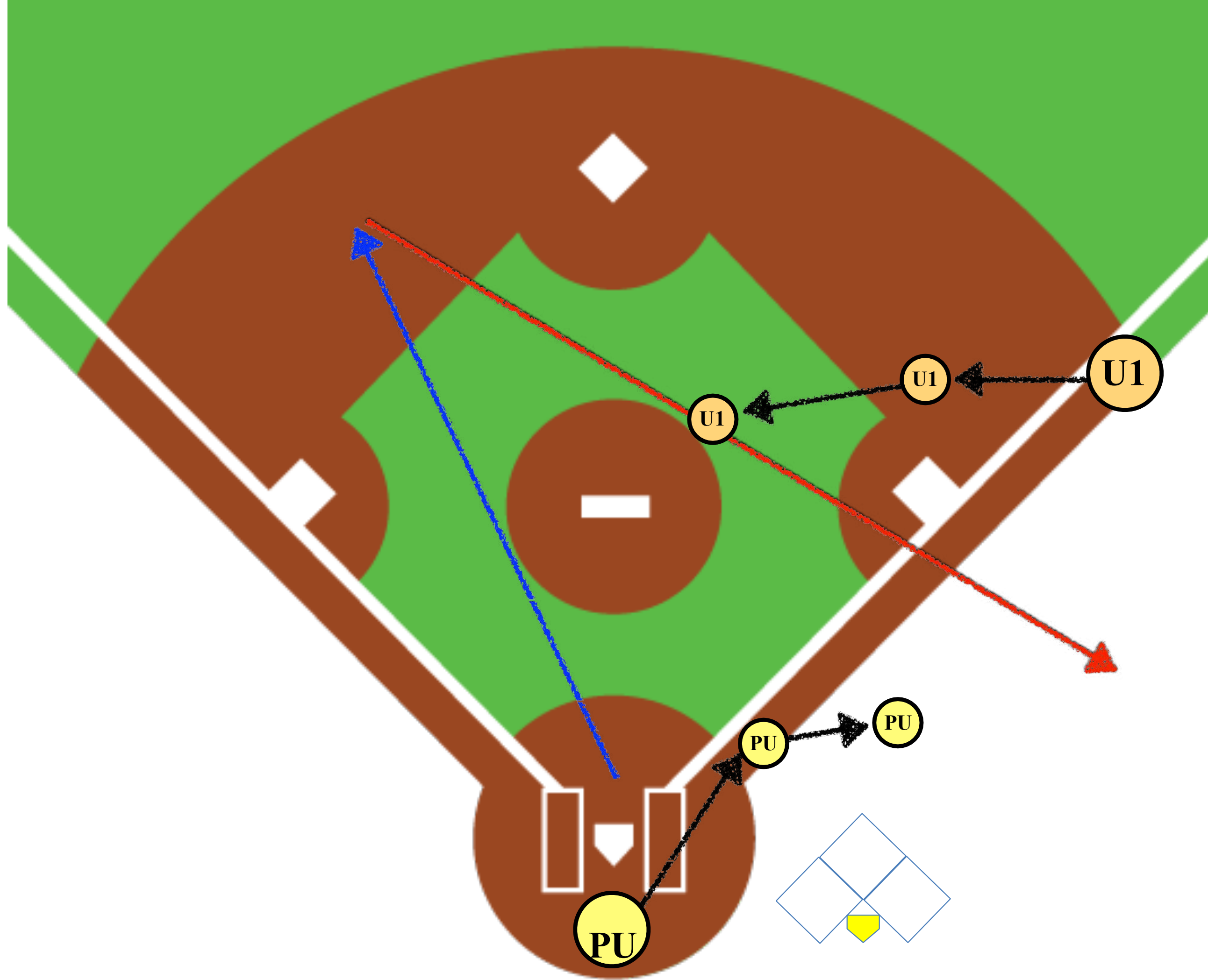
## COVERAGE IN INFIELD ON AN OVERTHROW

 Wild Throw

 Ground Ball

 1st Base Umpire

 Home Plate Umpire



# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

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

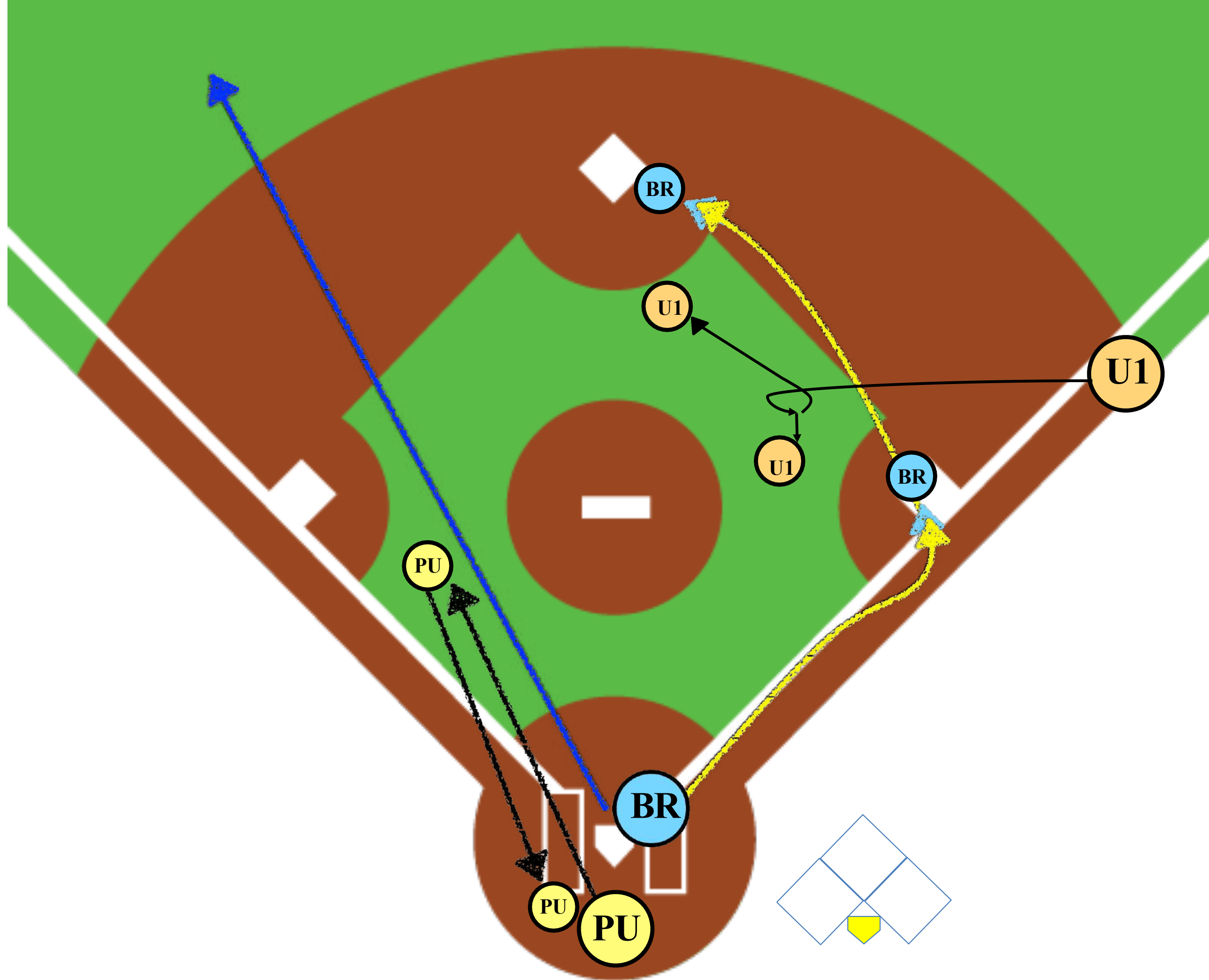
 Single

 Ground Ball

 BR Batter-Runner

 U1 1st Base Umpire

 PU Home Plate Umpire








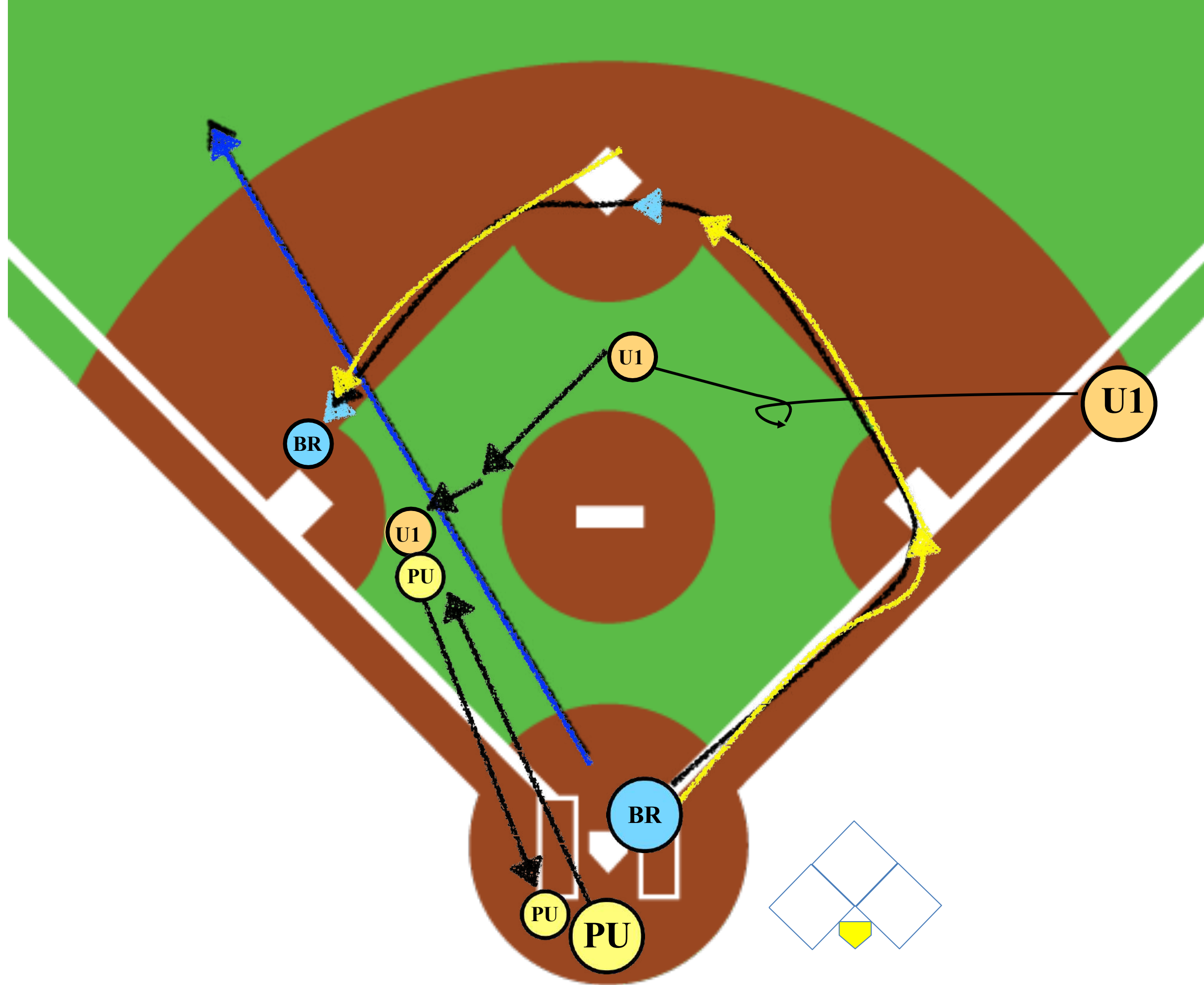


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CLEAN HIT TO THE OUTFIELD

- TRIPLE

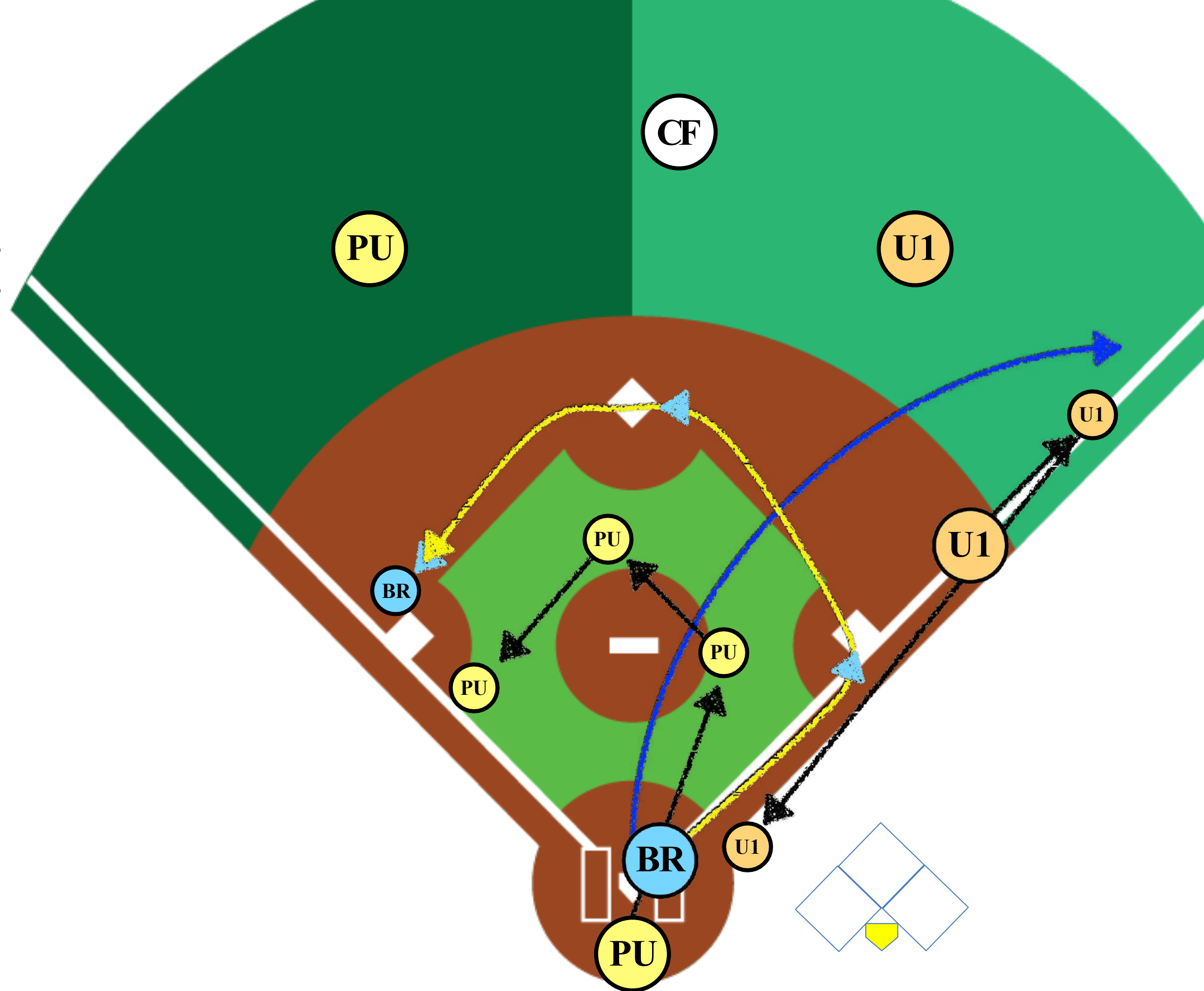
-  Runner's Path
-  Ground Ball
-  **BR** Batter-Runner
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# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

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.

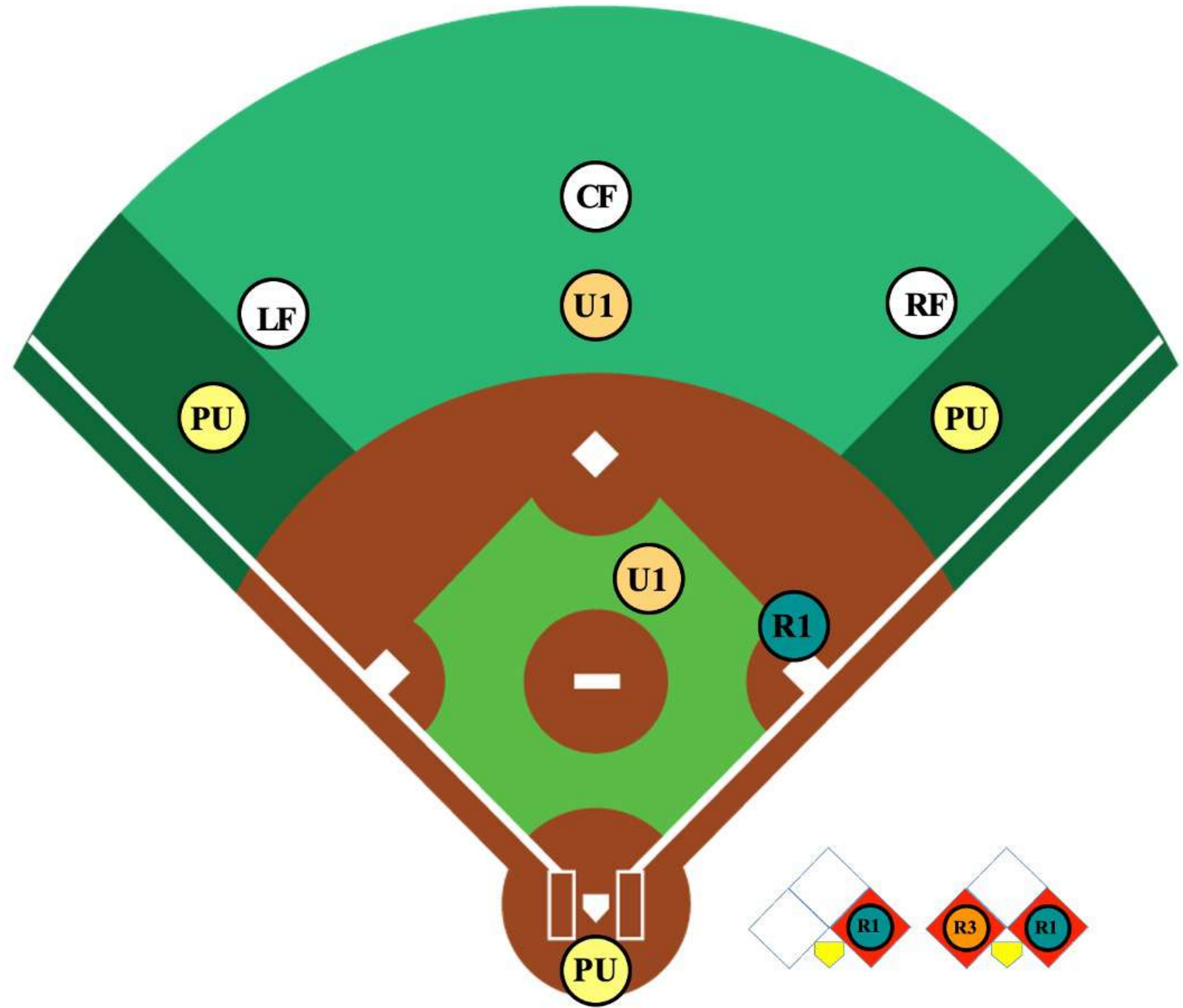
- CF** Center Field
-  Runner's Path
-  Fly Ball **NO CATCH**
- BR** Batter-Runner
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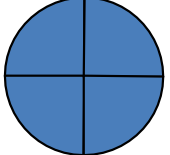
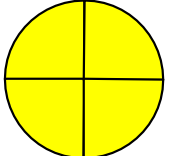


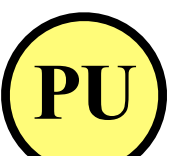
INITIAL POSITIONS  
OUTFIELD  
COVERAGE WITH  
RUNNERS ON 1ST | 1ST & 3RD

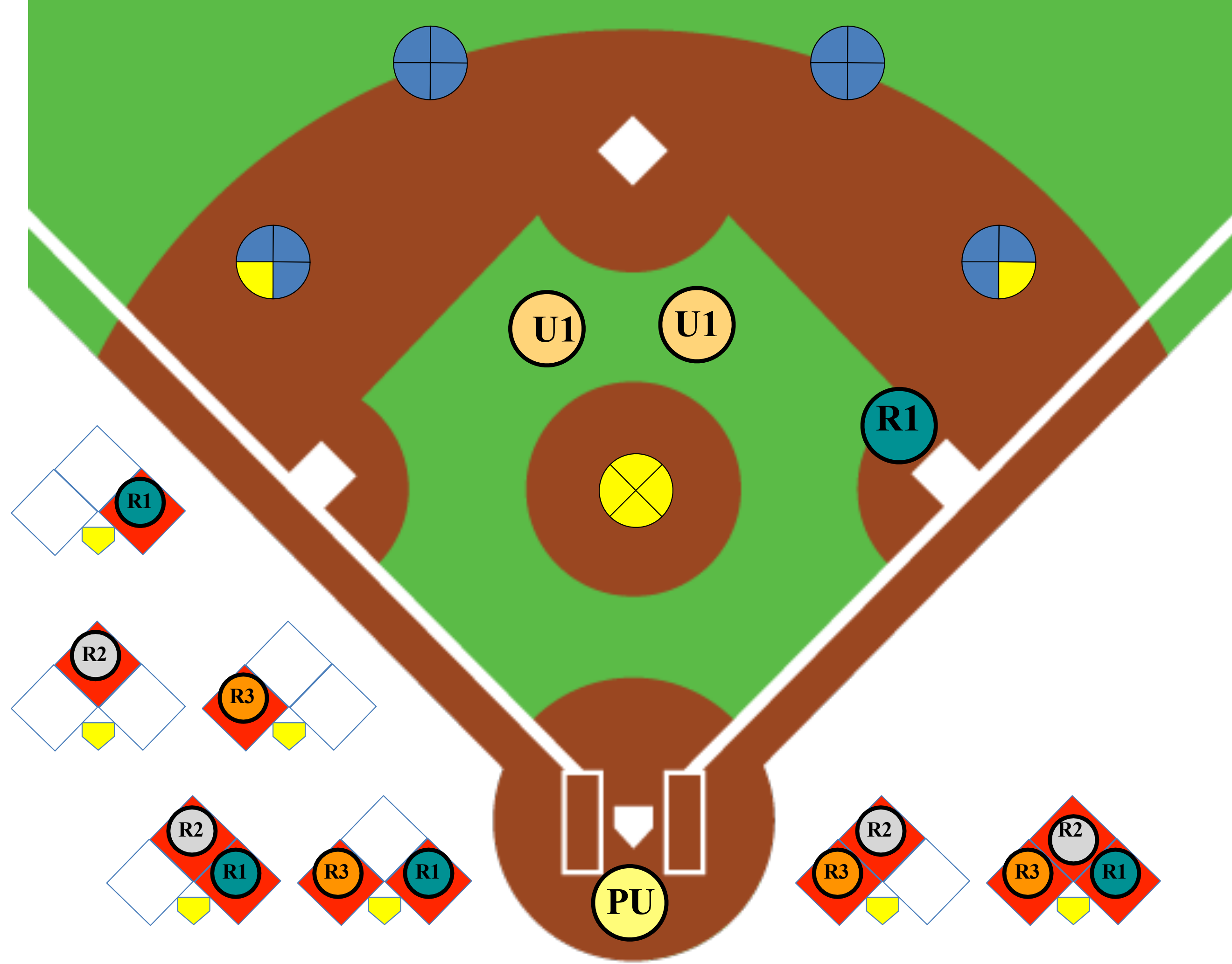
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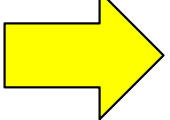



## INFIELD CATCH COVERAGE WITH RUNNERS ON BASE

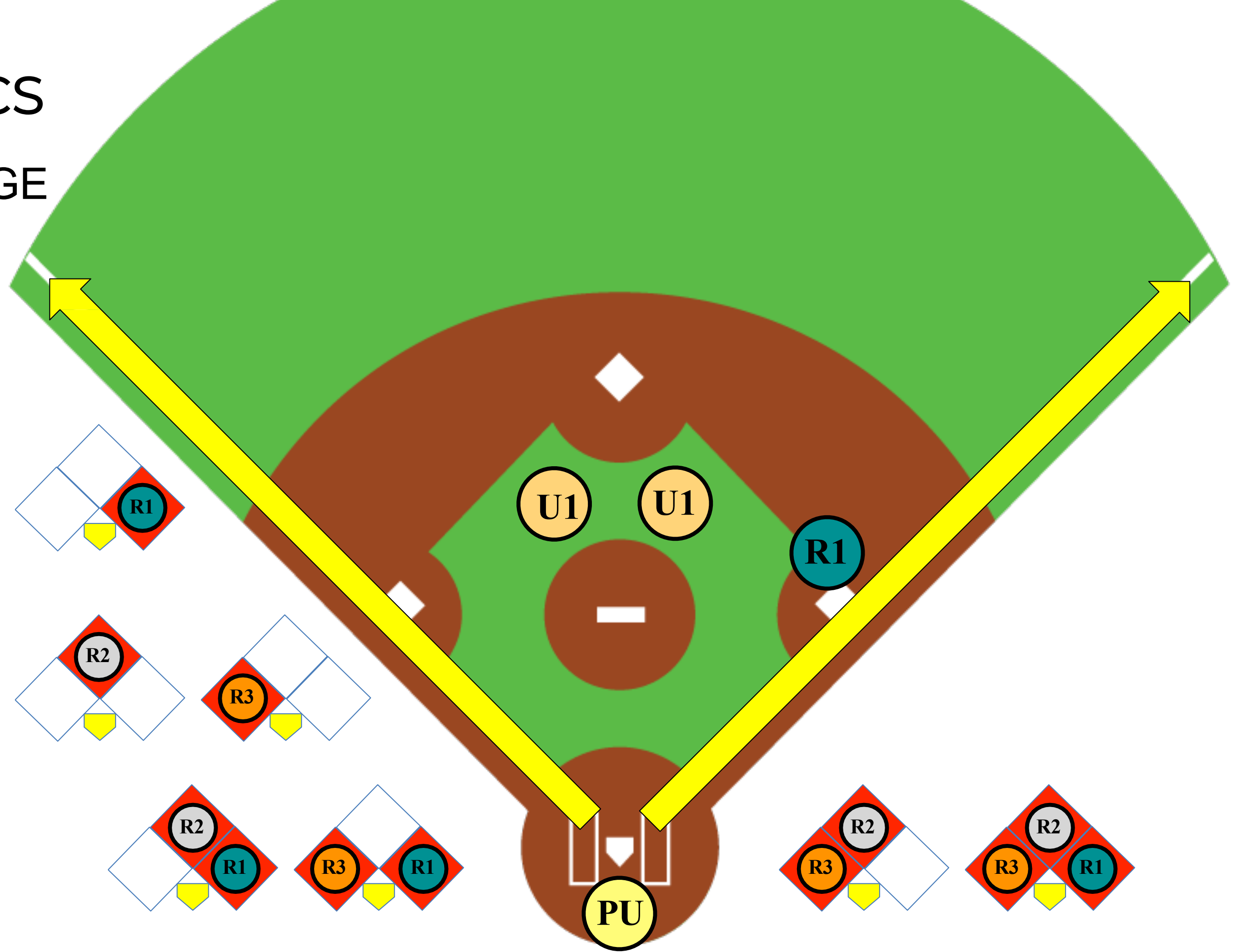
-  1st Base Umpire
-  Home Plate Umpire
-  Runner on 1st
-  1st Base Umpire
-  Home Plate Umpire







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FAIR | FOUL COVERAGE  
WITH RUNNERS ON

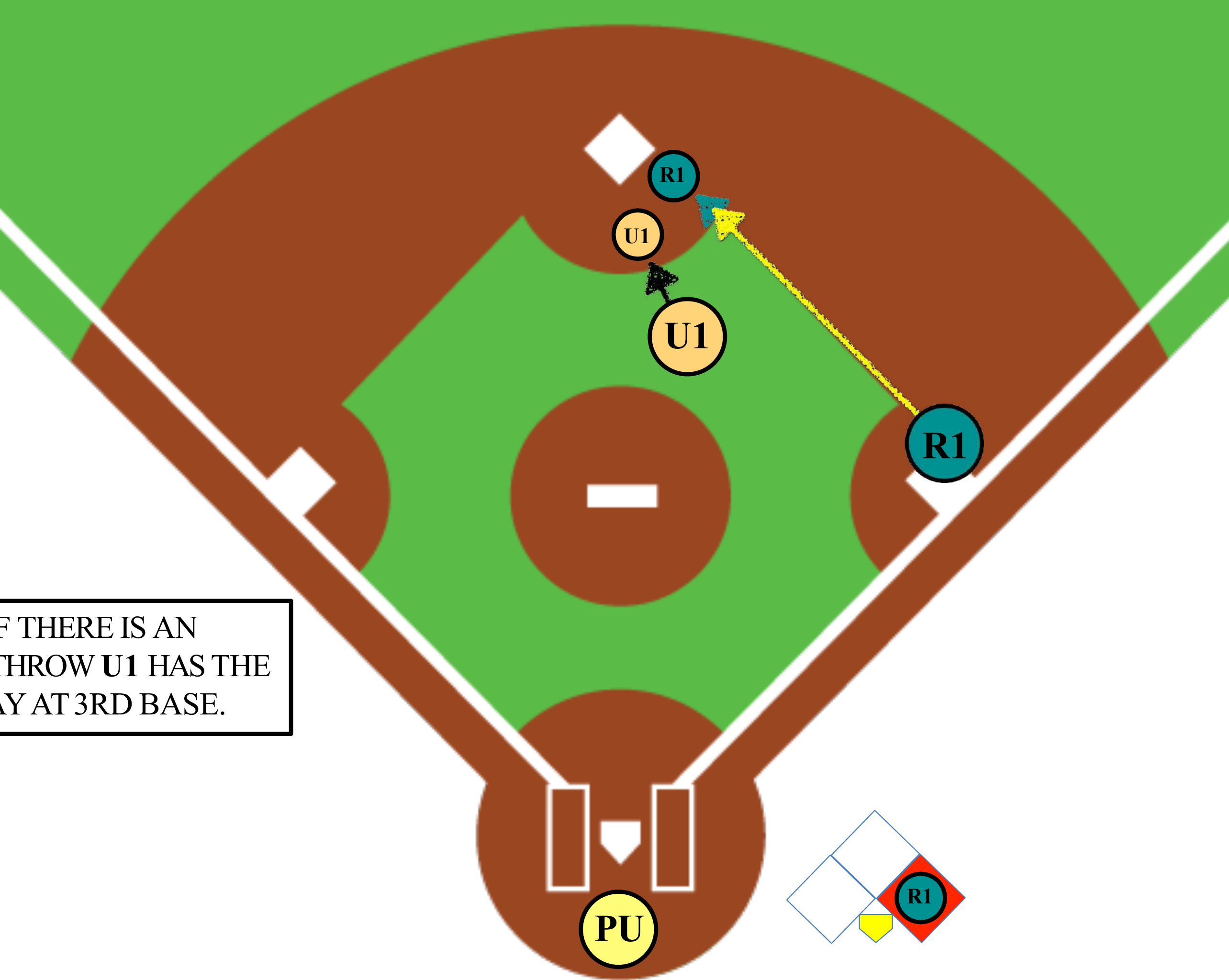
-  Home Plate Umpire
-  Runner on 1st
-  1st Base Umpire
-  Home Plate Umpire



# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS COVERAGE ON A STEAL


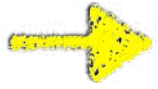
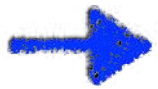




-  Steal
-  Runner on 1st
-  1st Base Umpire
-  Home Plate Umpire

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

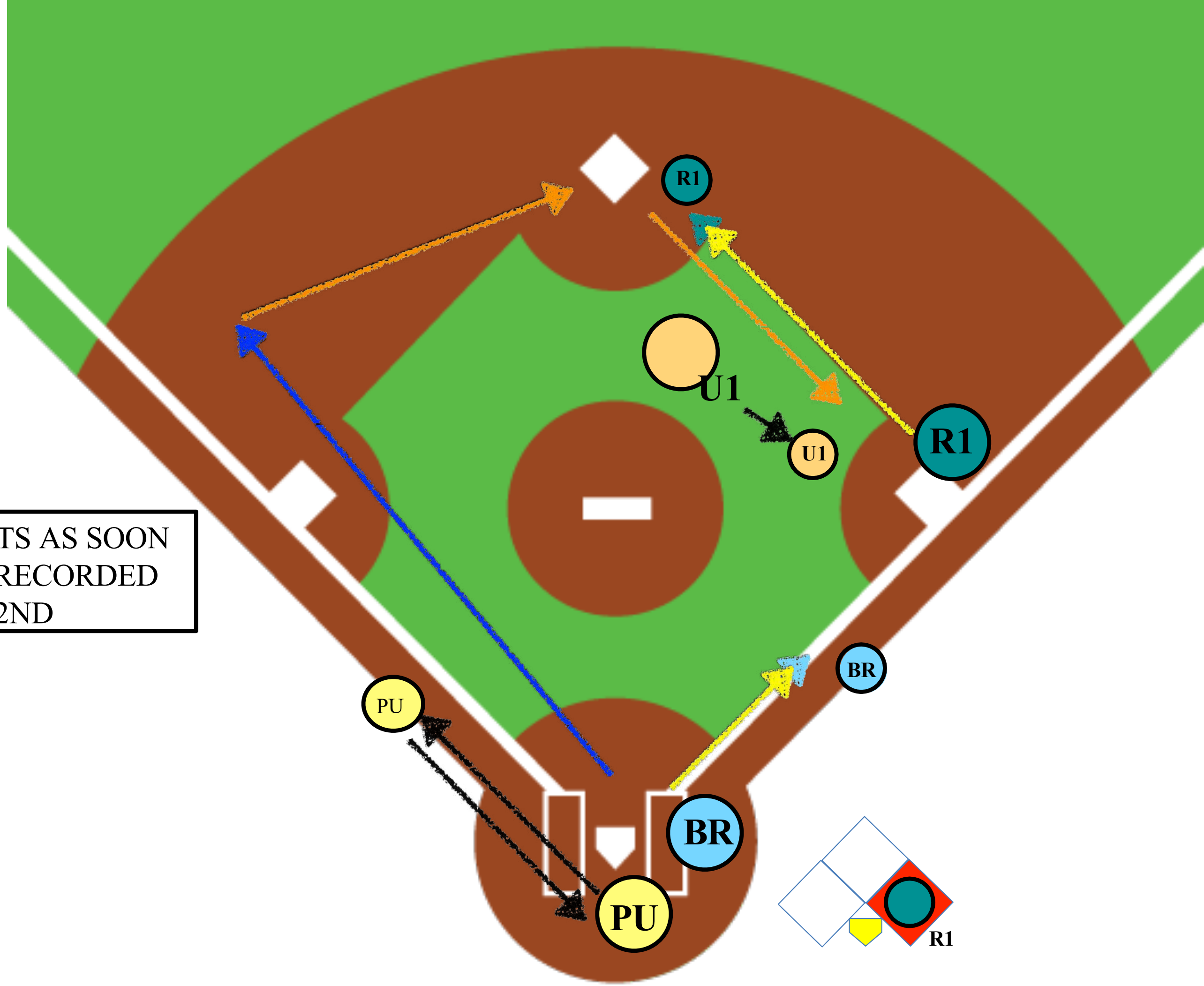


# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

## 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

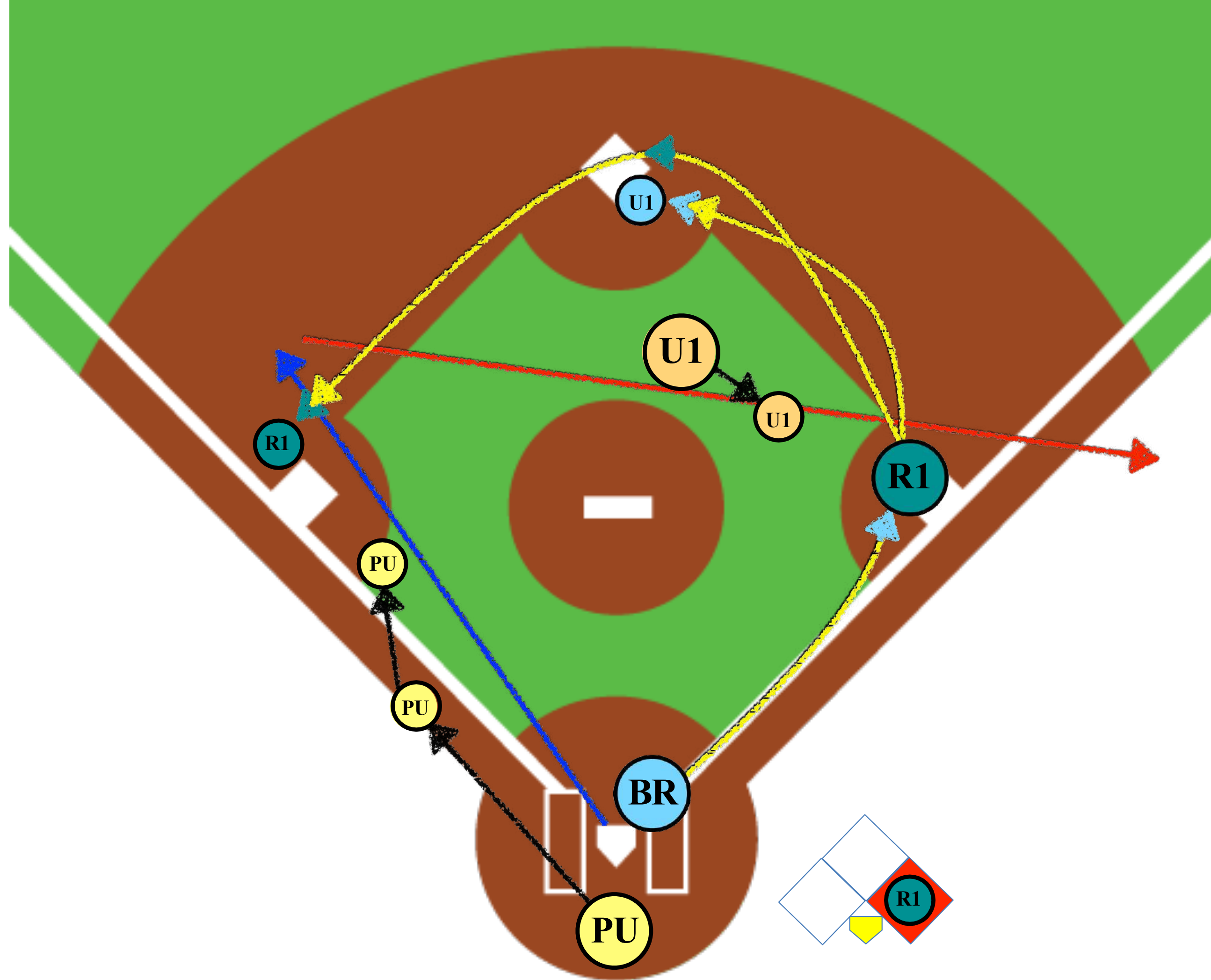
PU RETREATS AS SOON  
AS OUT IS RECORDED  
AT 2ND



# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

## PLAYS WITHIN THE INFIELD ON AN OVERTHROW

-  Wild Throw
-  Runner's path
-  Ground Ball
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-  **U1** 1st Base Umpire
-  **PU** Home Plate Umpire

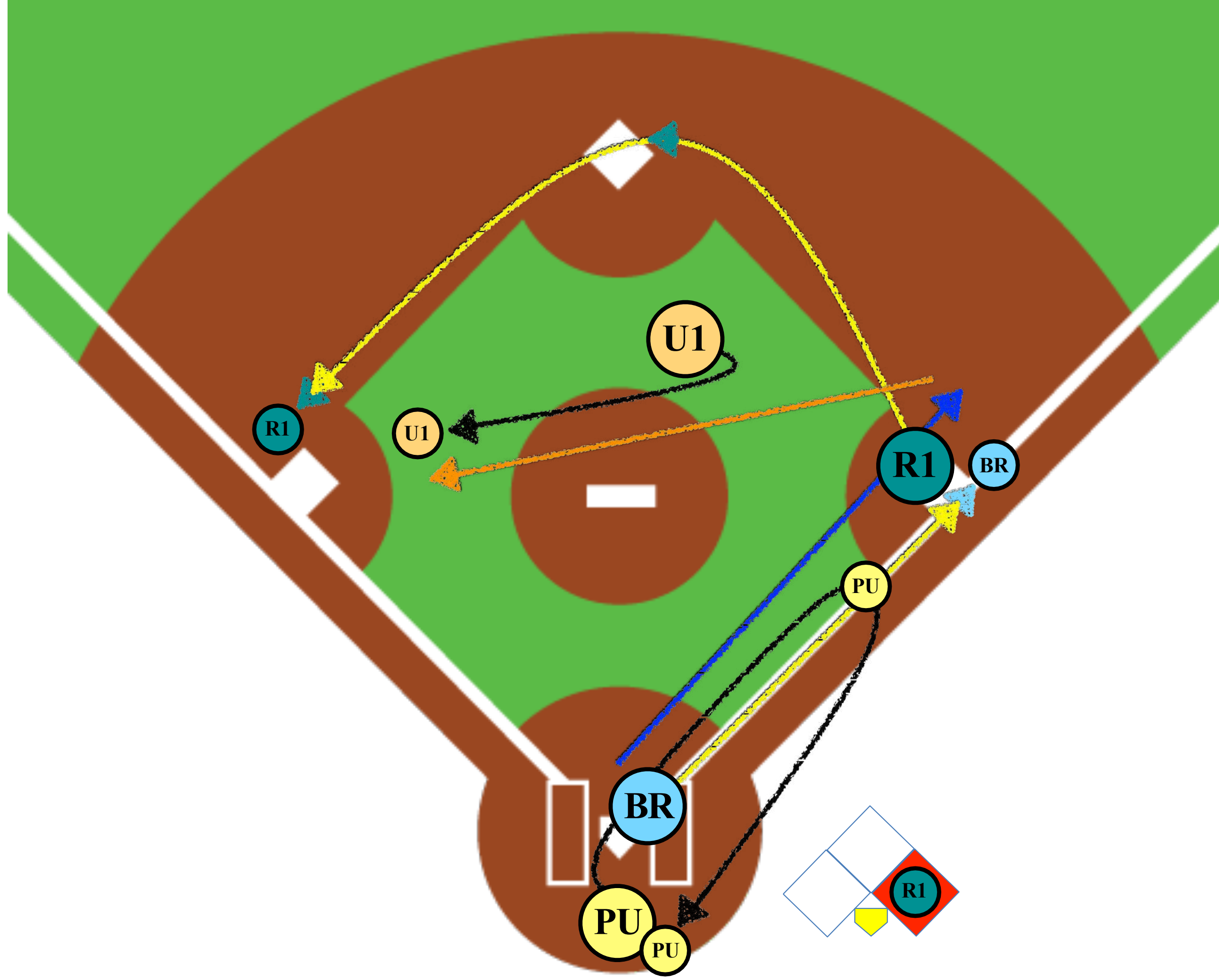




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PLAYS WITHIN THE INFIELD -  
PLATE UMPIRE STAYS ON THE  
FOUL LINE

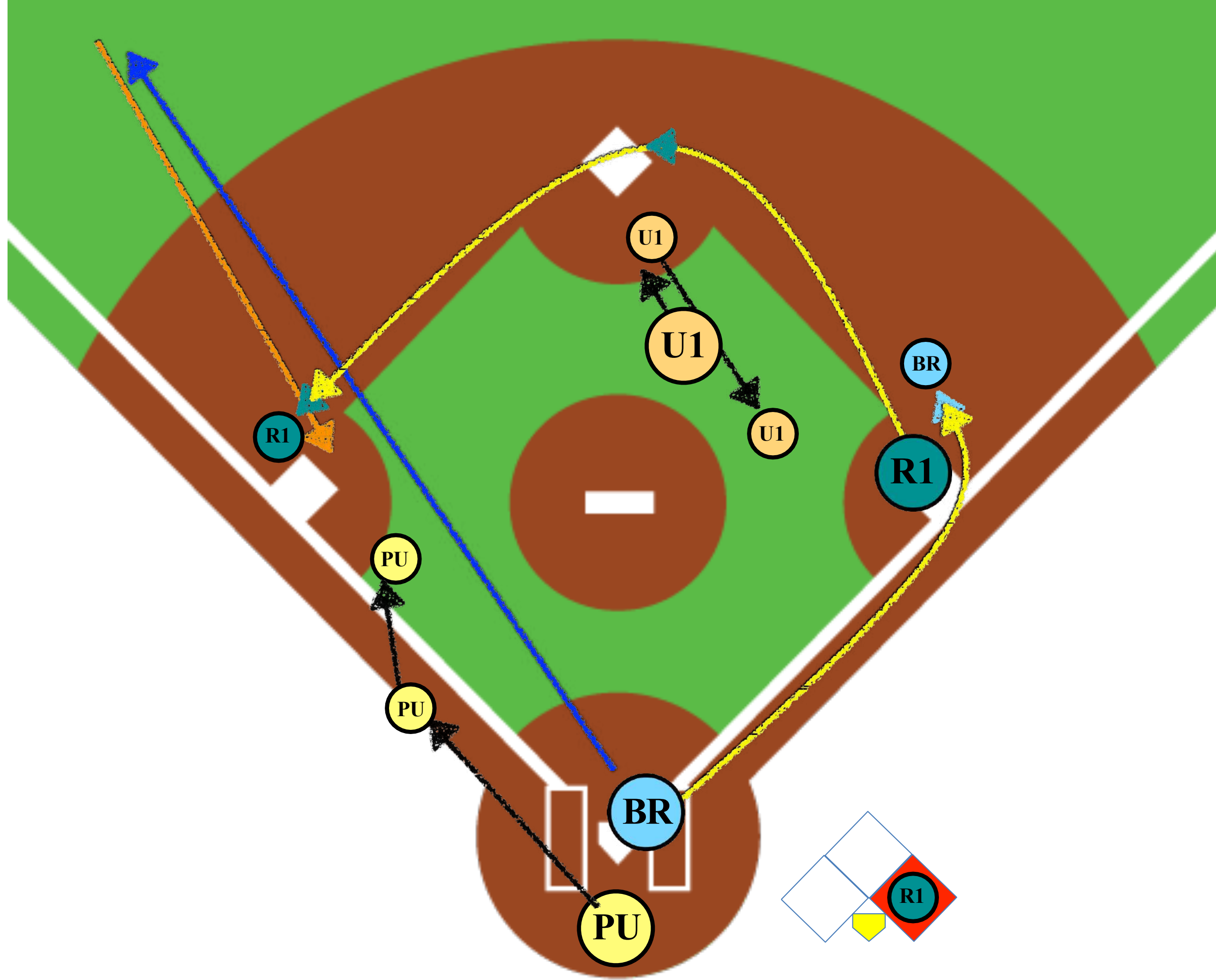
- Throw
- Runner's path
- Ground Ball
- BR** Batter-Runner
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# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

## CLEAN **BASE HIT** TO THE OUTFIELD OR **NO CATCH**

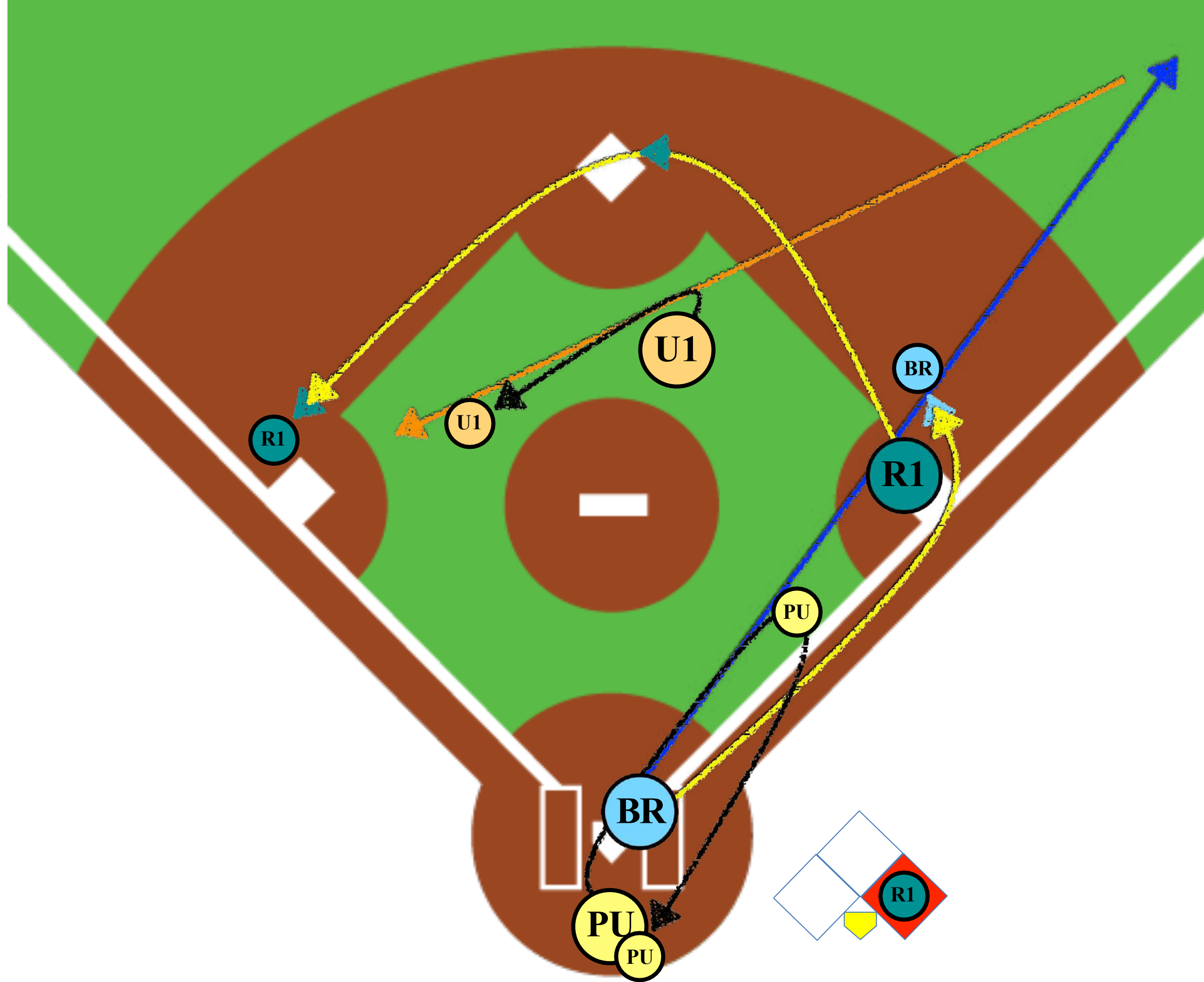
-  Throw
-  Runner's path
-  **Base Hit** or Fly Ball No Catch
-  **BR** Batter-Runner
-  **R1** Runner on 1st
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# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS








## FLY BALL TO RIGHT FIELD LINE - NO CATCH

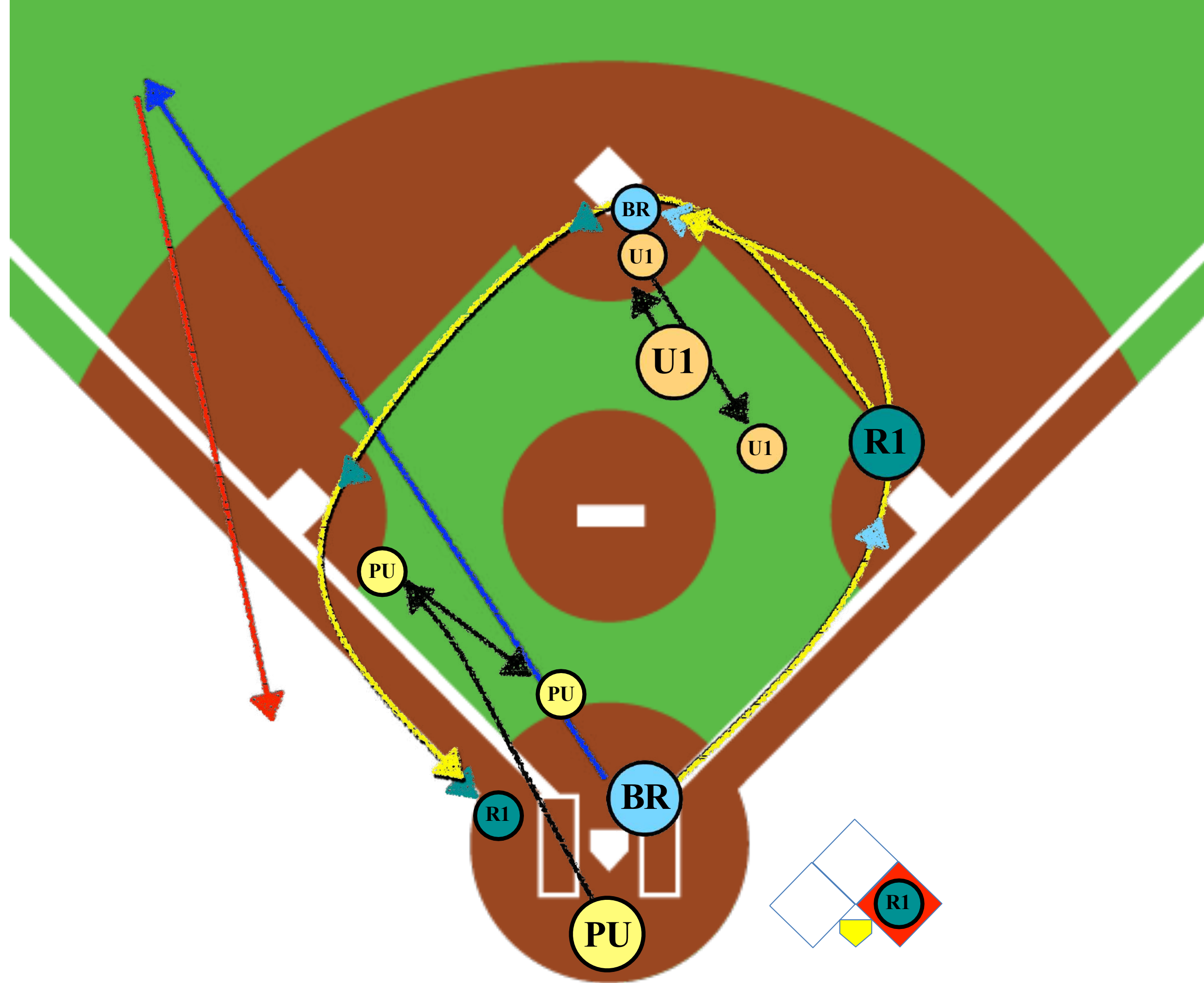
- ➔ Throw
- ➔ Runner's path
- ➔ Fly Ball No Catch
- BR Batter-Runner
- R1 Runner on 1st
- U1 1st Base Umpire
- PU Home Plate Umpire



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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



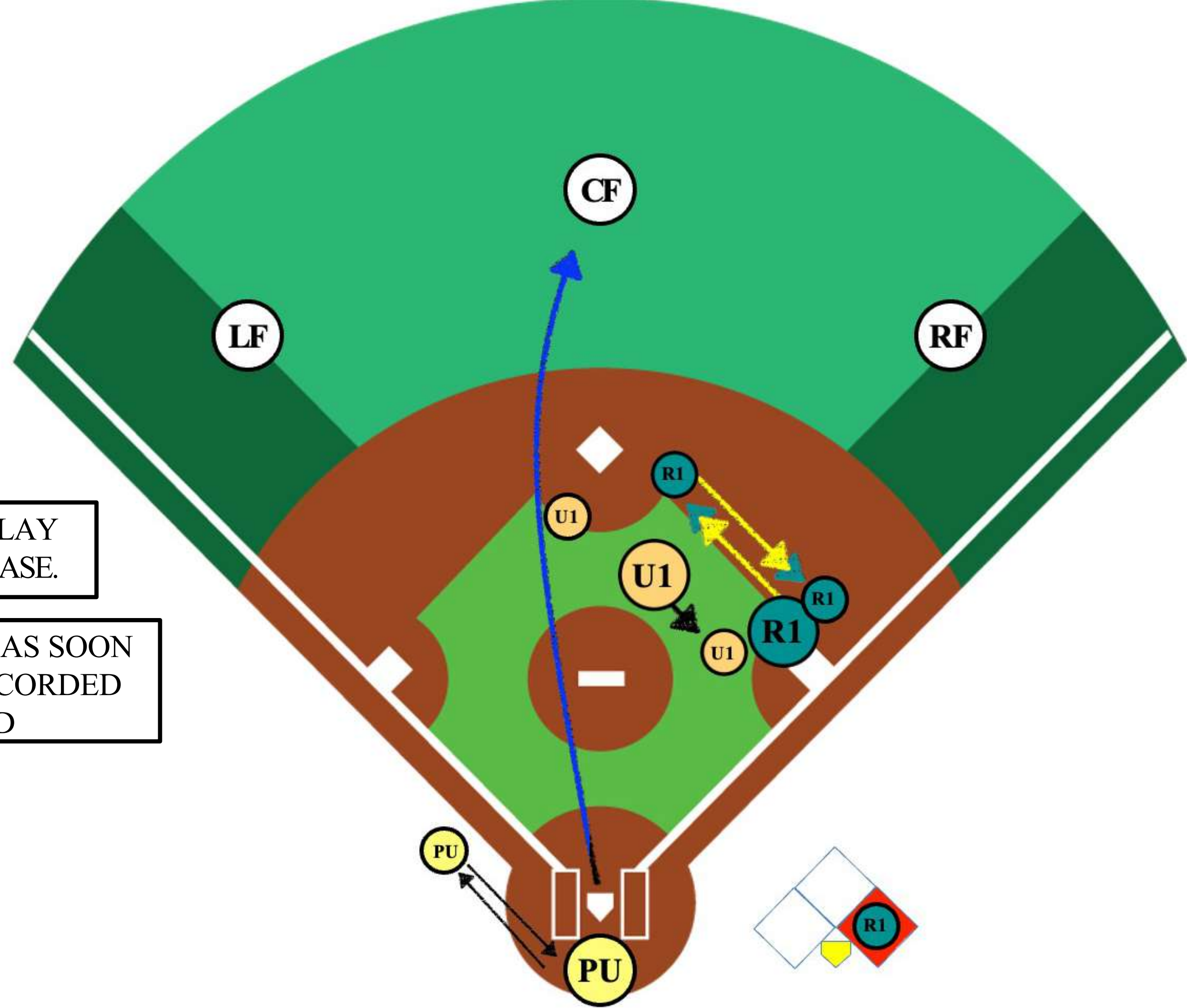
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## FLY BALL TO CENTER FIELD - CATCH

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









U1 HAS THE PLAY BACK AT 1ST BASE.

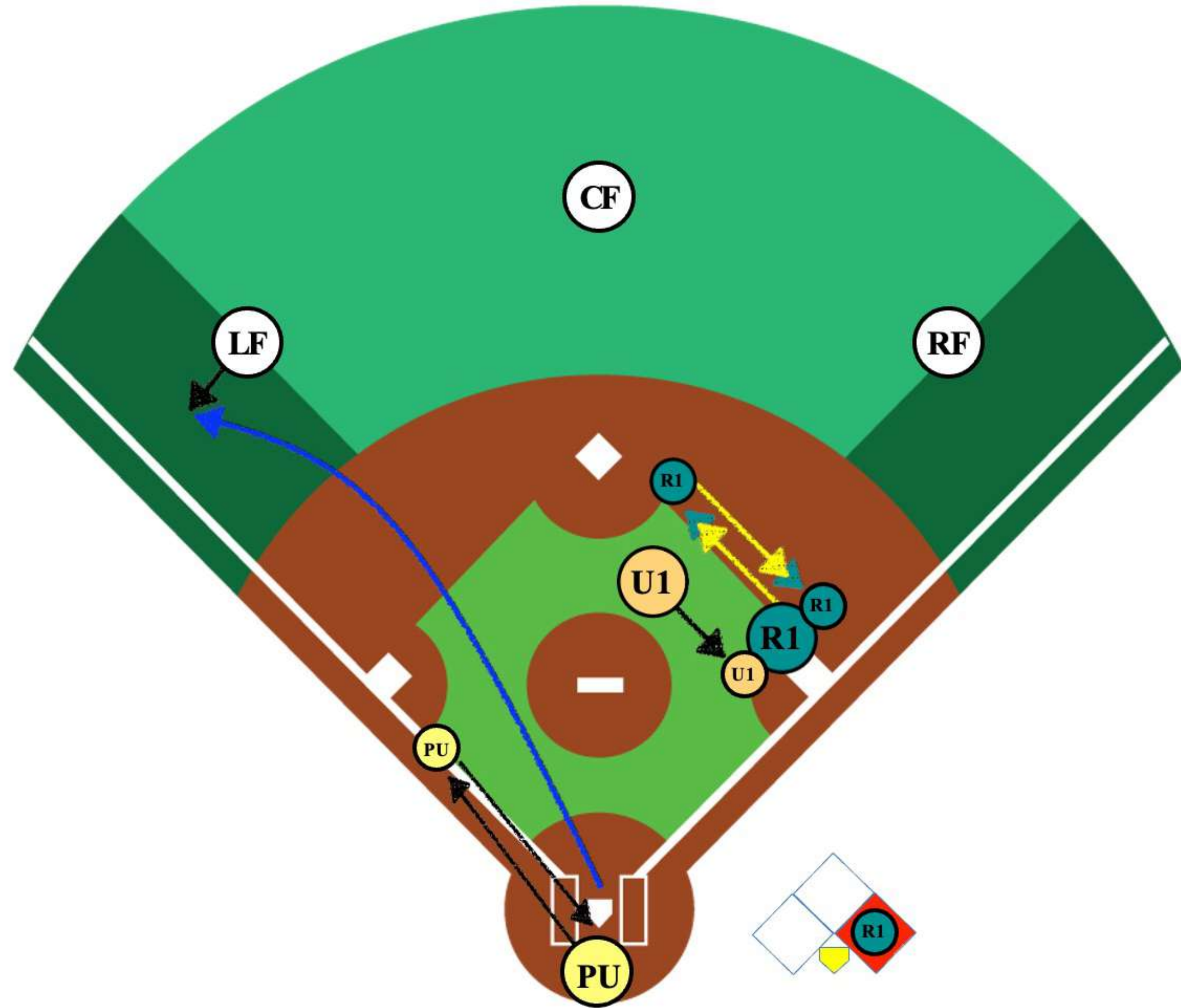
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# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

## 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**

 Right Field

 Center Field

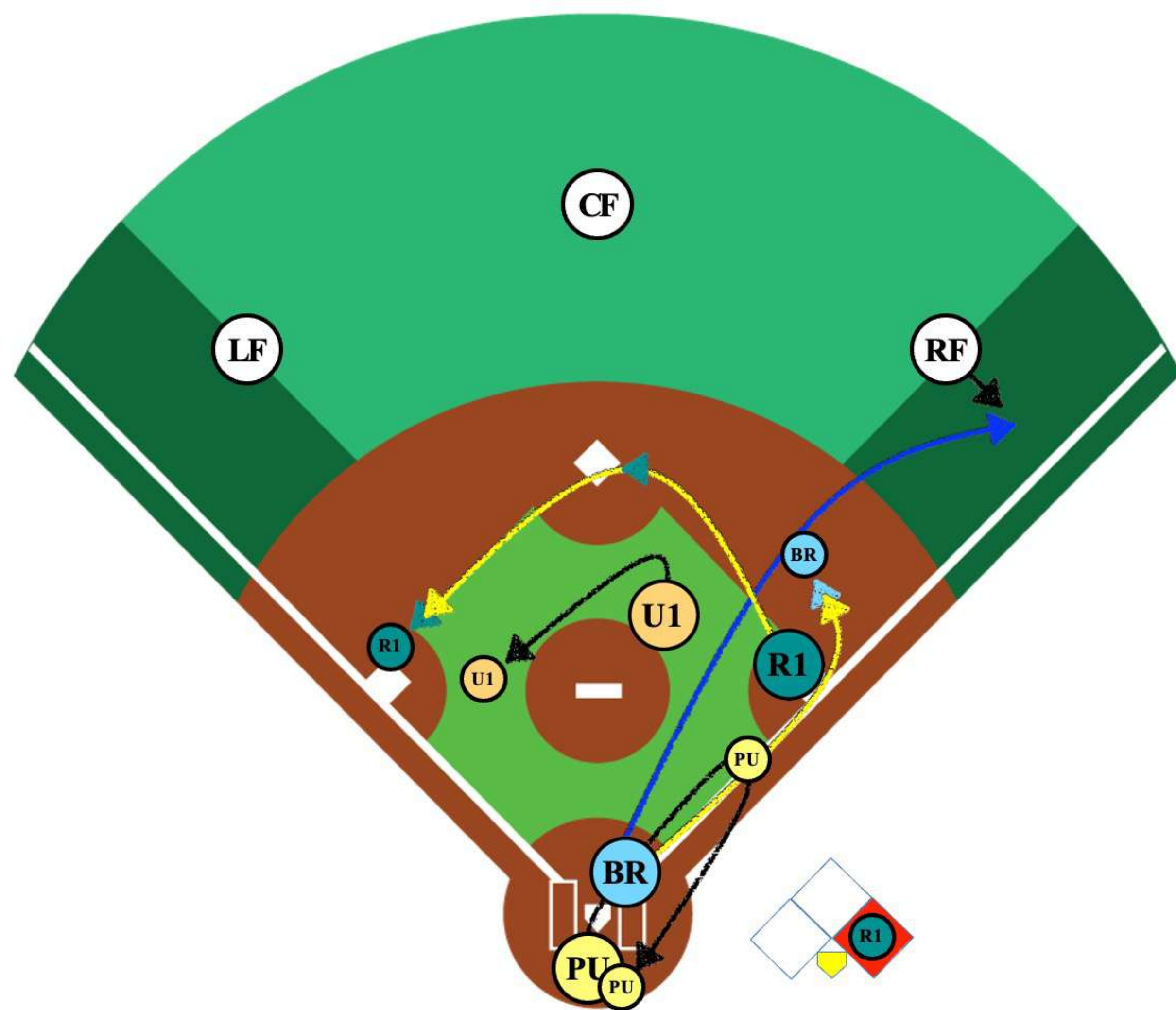
 Left Field

 Batter-Runner

 Runner on 2nd

 1st Base Umpire

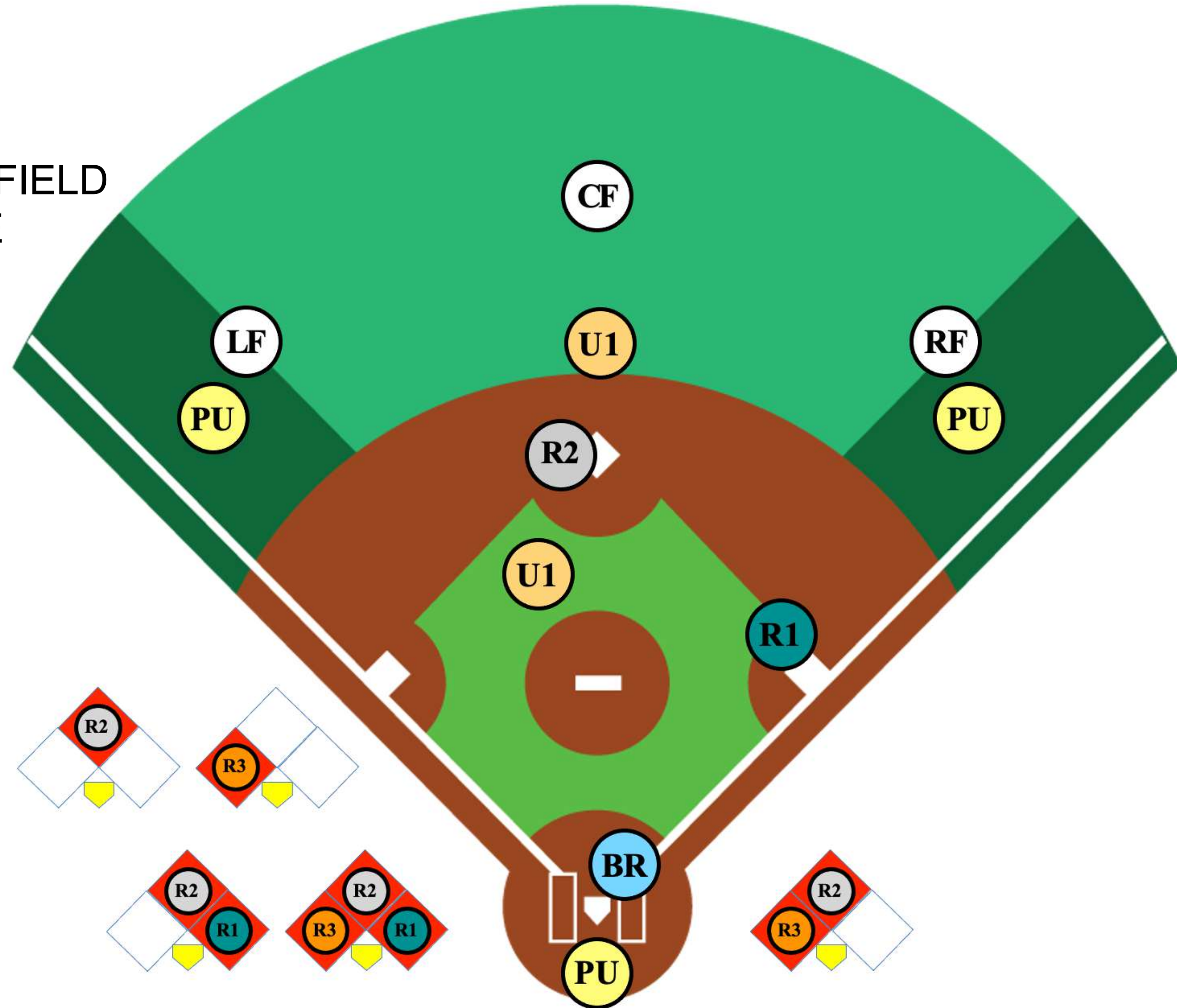
 Home Plate Umpire



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INITIAL POSITIONS & OUTFIELD COVERAGE WITH RUNNERS ON BASE

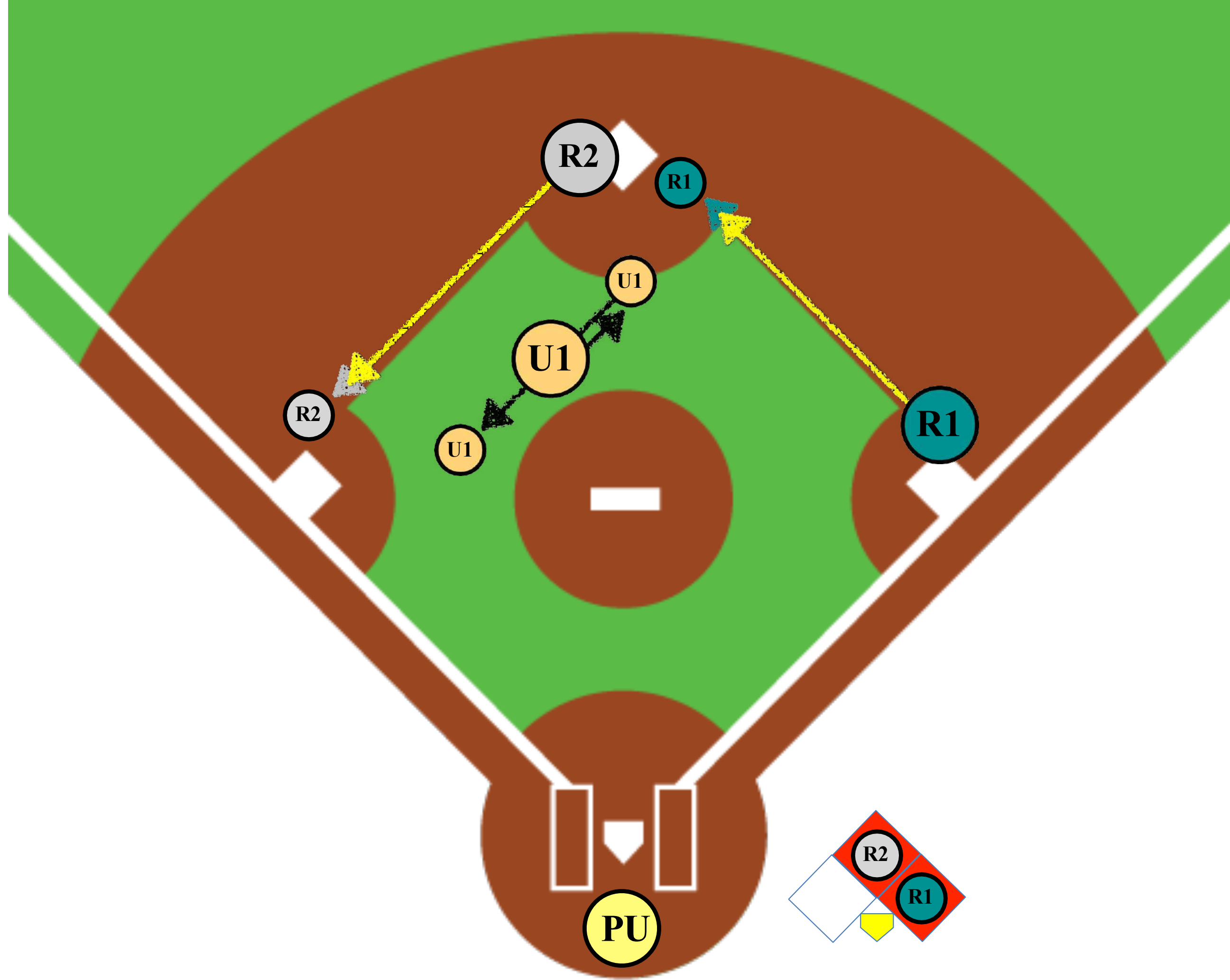
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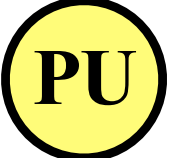


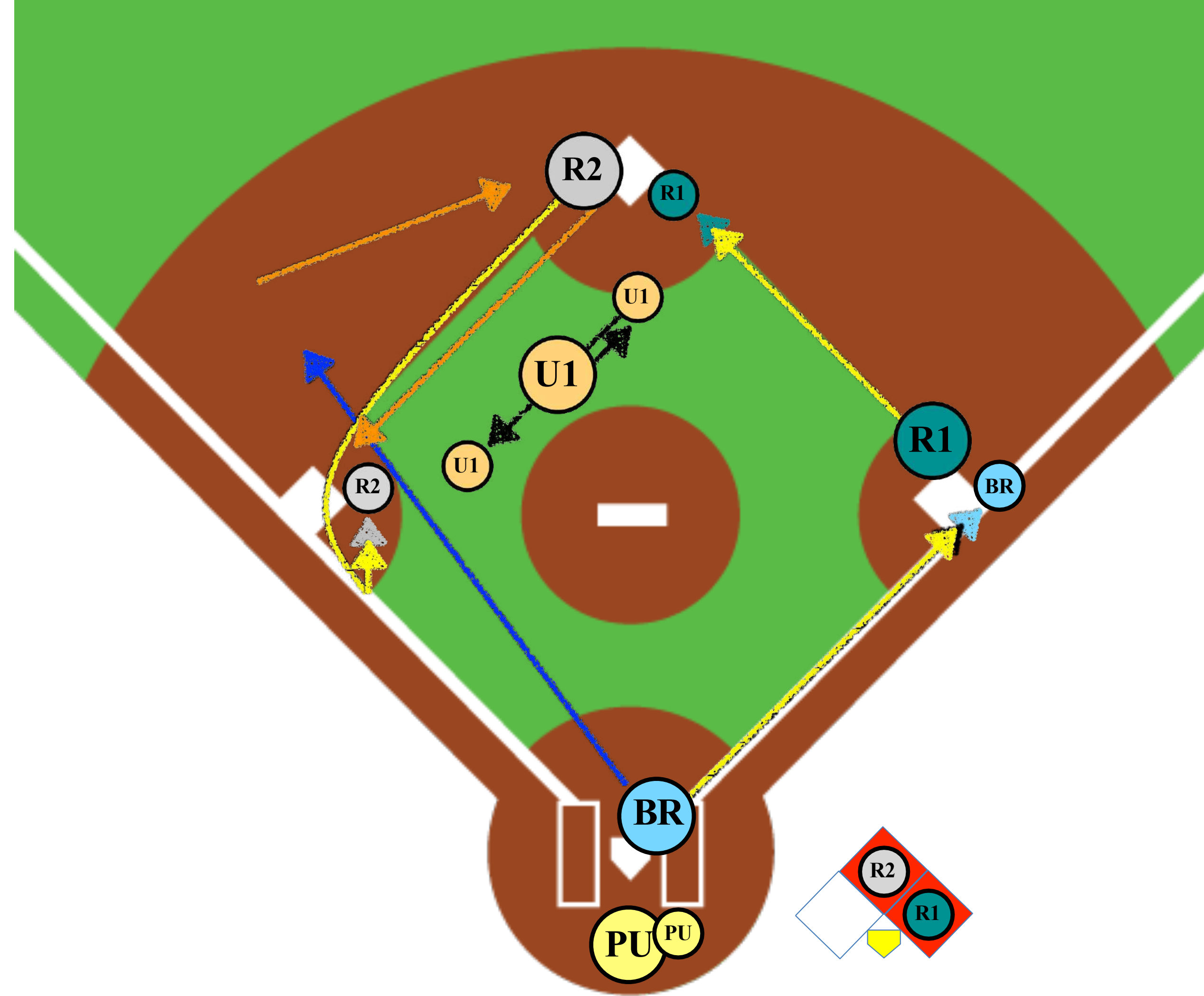
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-  Steal
-  Runner on 1st
-  Runner on 2nd
-  1st Base Umpire
-  Home Plate Umpire











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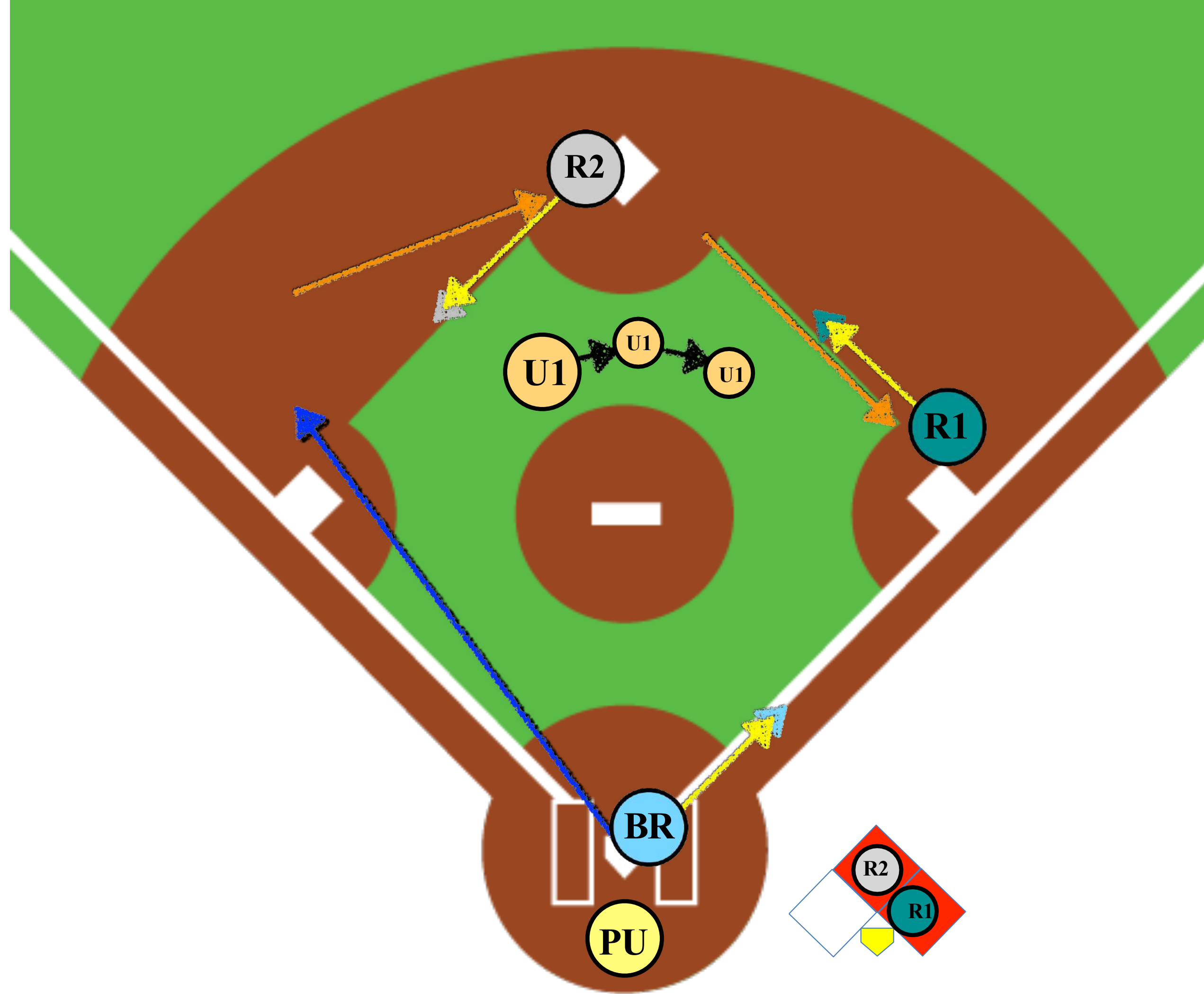
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-  Ground Ball
-  Runner's path
-  **BR** Batter-Runner
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# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

## DOUBLE PLAY

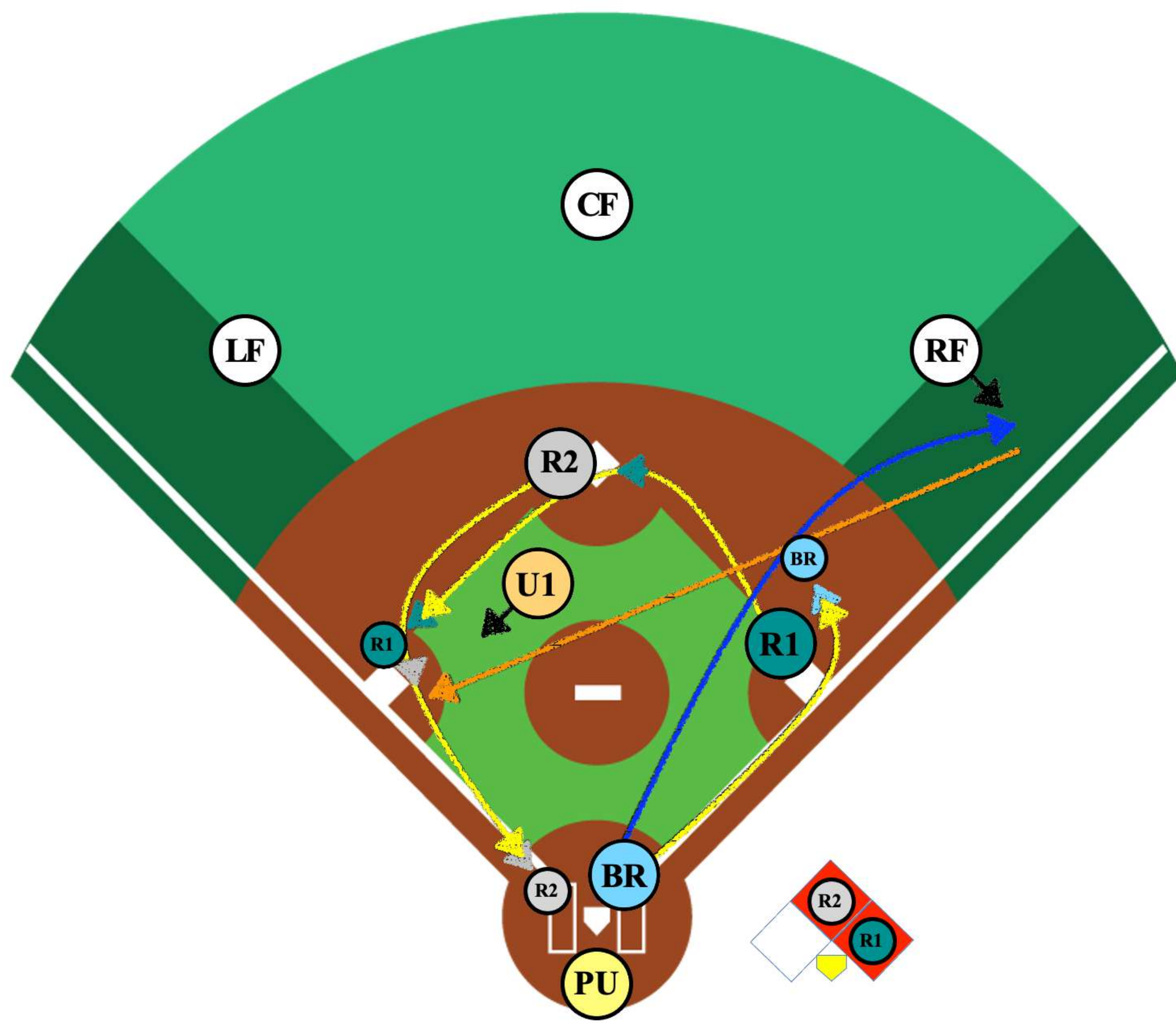
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-  Ground Ball
-  Runner's path
-  **BR** Batter-Runner
-  **R1** Runner on 1st
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# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

## BASE HIT TO RIGHT FIELD

- RF** Right Field
  - LF** Left Field
  - CF** Center Field
  - BR** Batter-Runner
  - R1** Runner on 1st
  - R2** Runner on 2nd
  - U1** 1st Base Umpire
  - PU** Home Plate Umpire
- Base Hit (blue arrow)  
Throw (orange arrow)  
Runner's path (yellow arrow)



# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

## RIGHT FLY BALL TO CENTER FIELD - CATCH

**CF** Center Field

**RF** Right Field

 Fly Ball **CATCH**

 Runner's Path

**R1** Runner on 1st

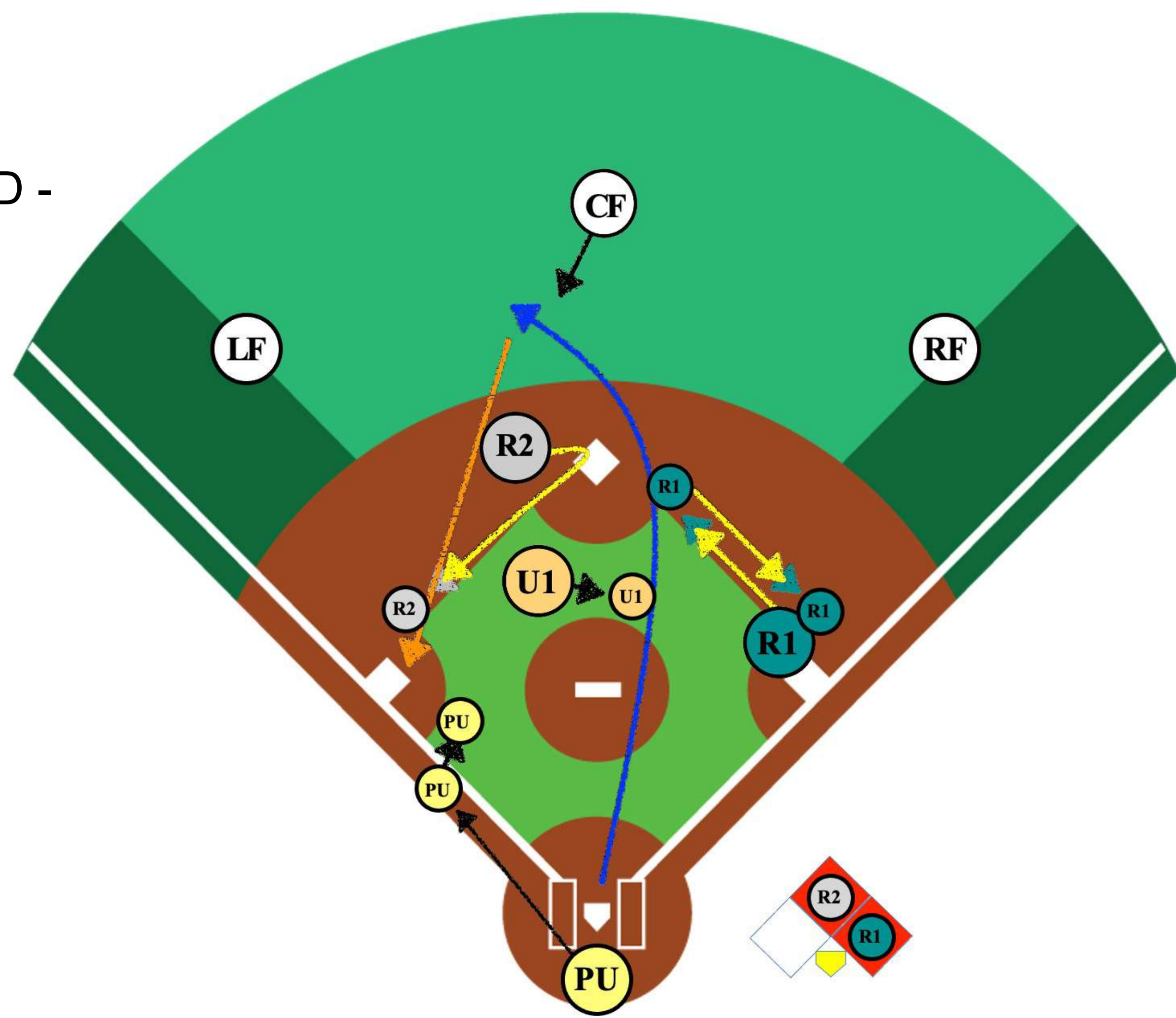
**R2** Runner on 2nd

**U1** 1st Base Umpire

**PU** Home Plate Umpire

**LF** Left Field

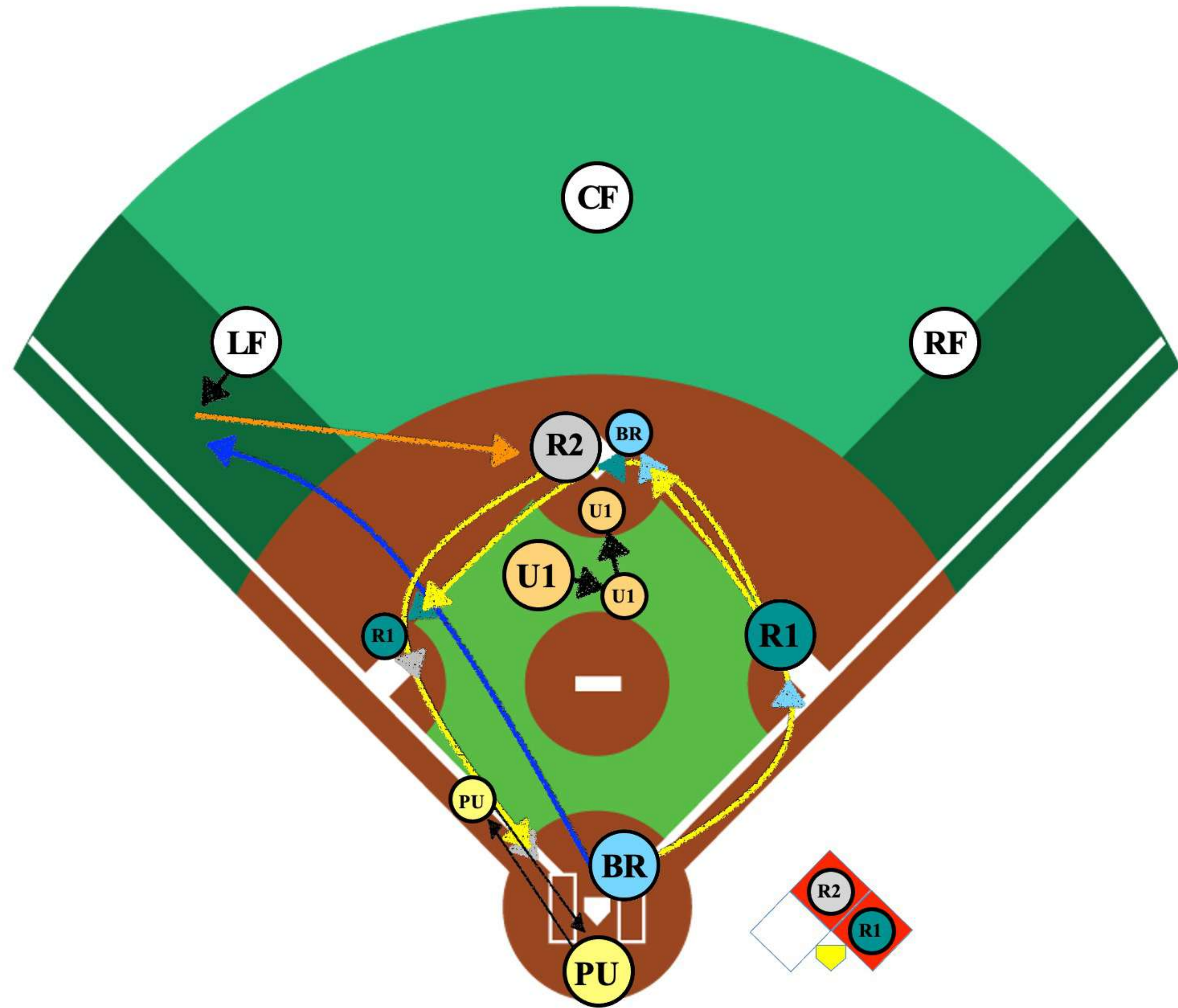
 Throw



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## FLY BALL TO LEFT FIELD - NO CATCH

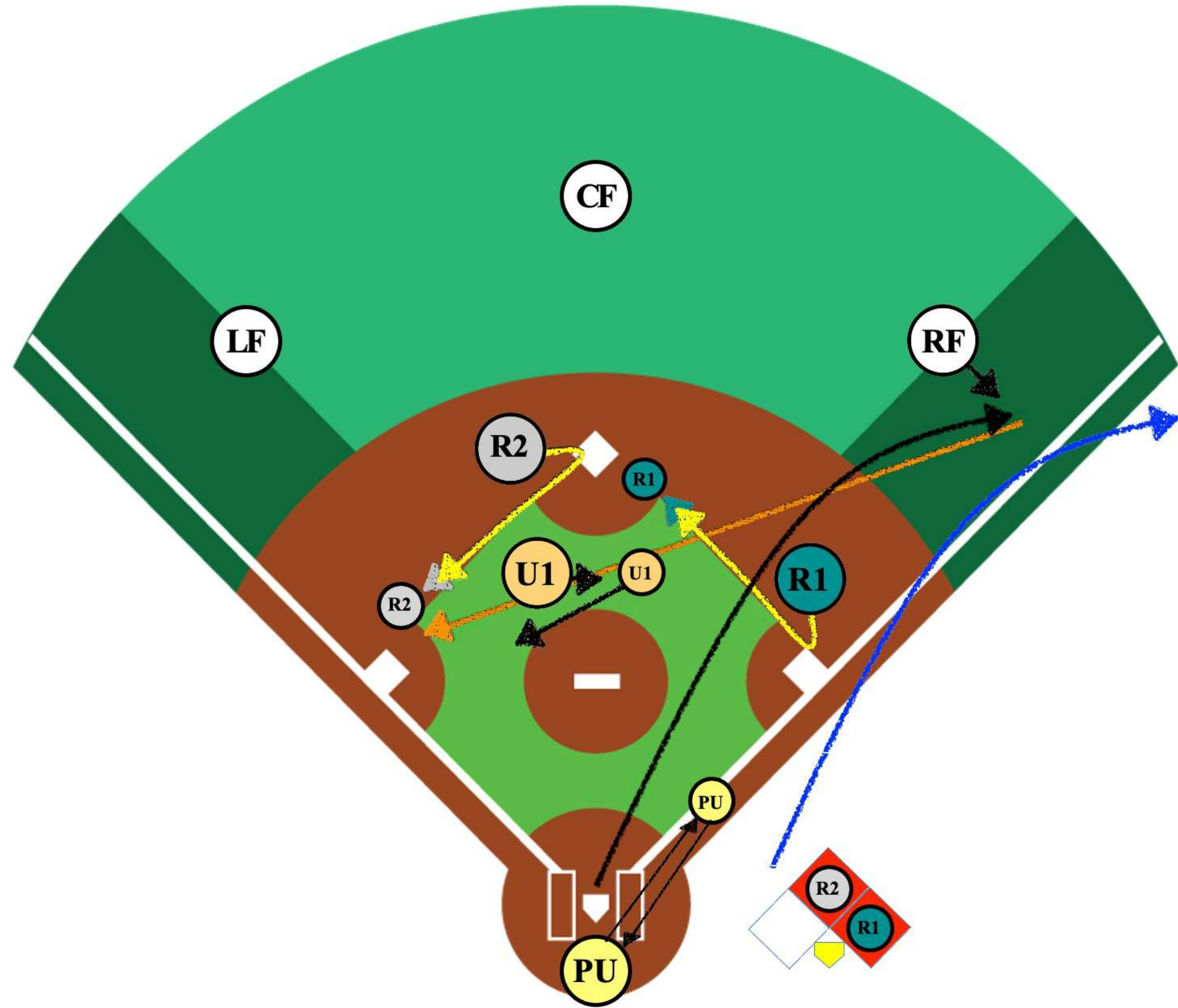
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  - R1** Runner on 1st
  - R2** Runner on 2nd
  - U1** 1st Base Umpire
  - PU** Plate Umpire
- ↗ Fly Ball **NO CATCH**
→ Throw
 → Runner's path



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## FLY BALL TO RIGHT FIELD LINE - CATCH

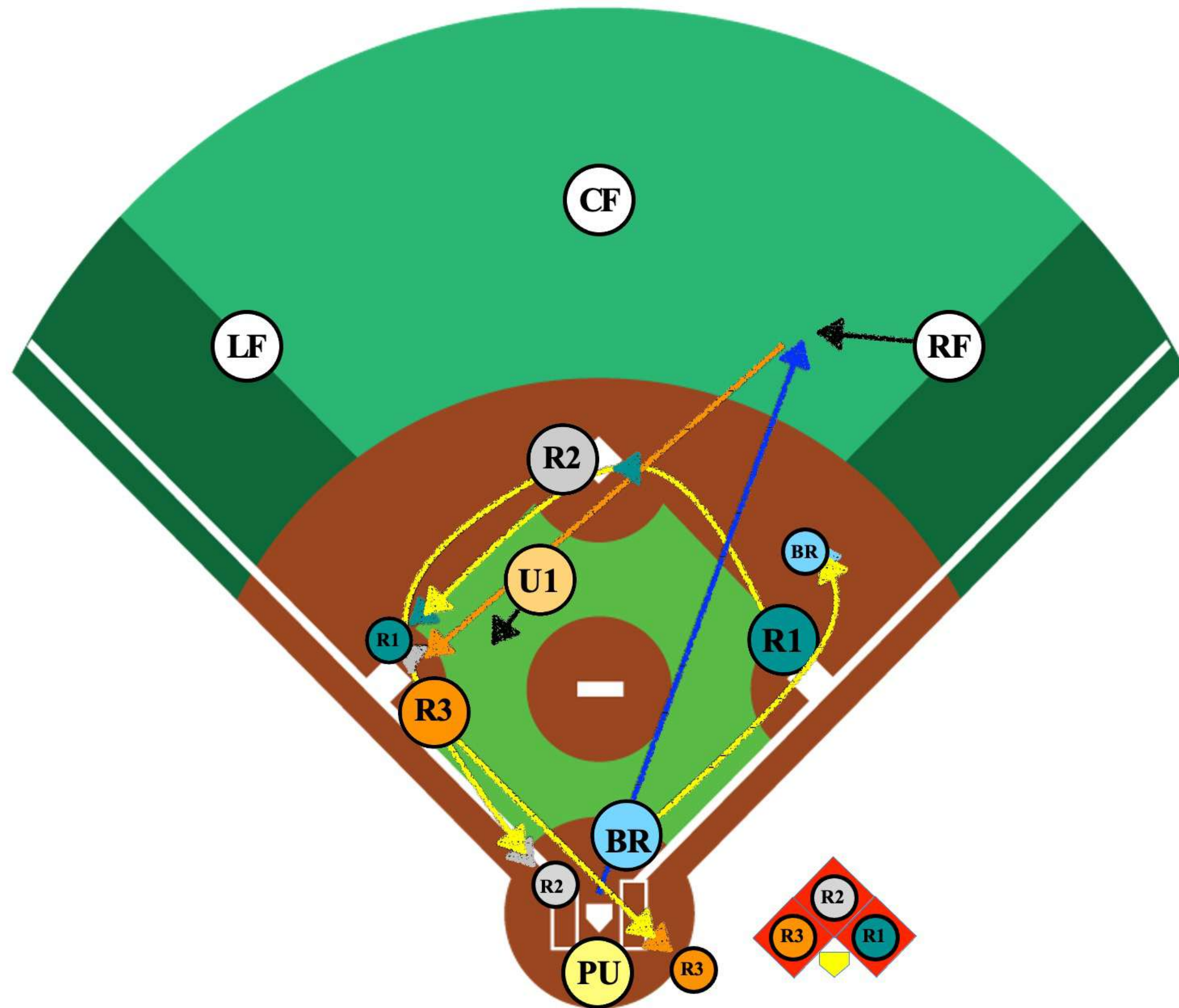
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- Fly Ball CATCH** (Blue arrow)
- Throw** (Orange arrow)
- Runner's path** (Yellow arrow)



# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

## BASE HIT TO THE OUTFIELD




- RF** Right Field
  - LF** Left Field
  - CF** Center Field
  - BR** Batter-Runner
  - R1** Runner on 1st
  - R2** Runner on 2nd
  - R3** Runner on 3rd
  - U1** 1st Base Umpire
  - PU** Home Plate Umpire
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Throw (orange arrow)  
Runner's path (yellow arrow)

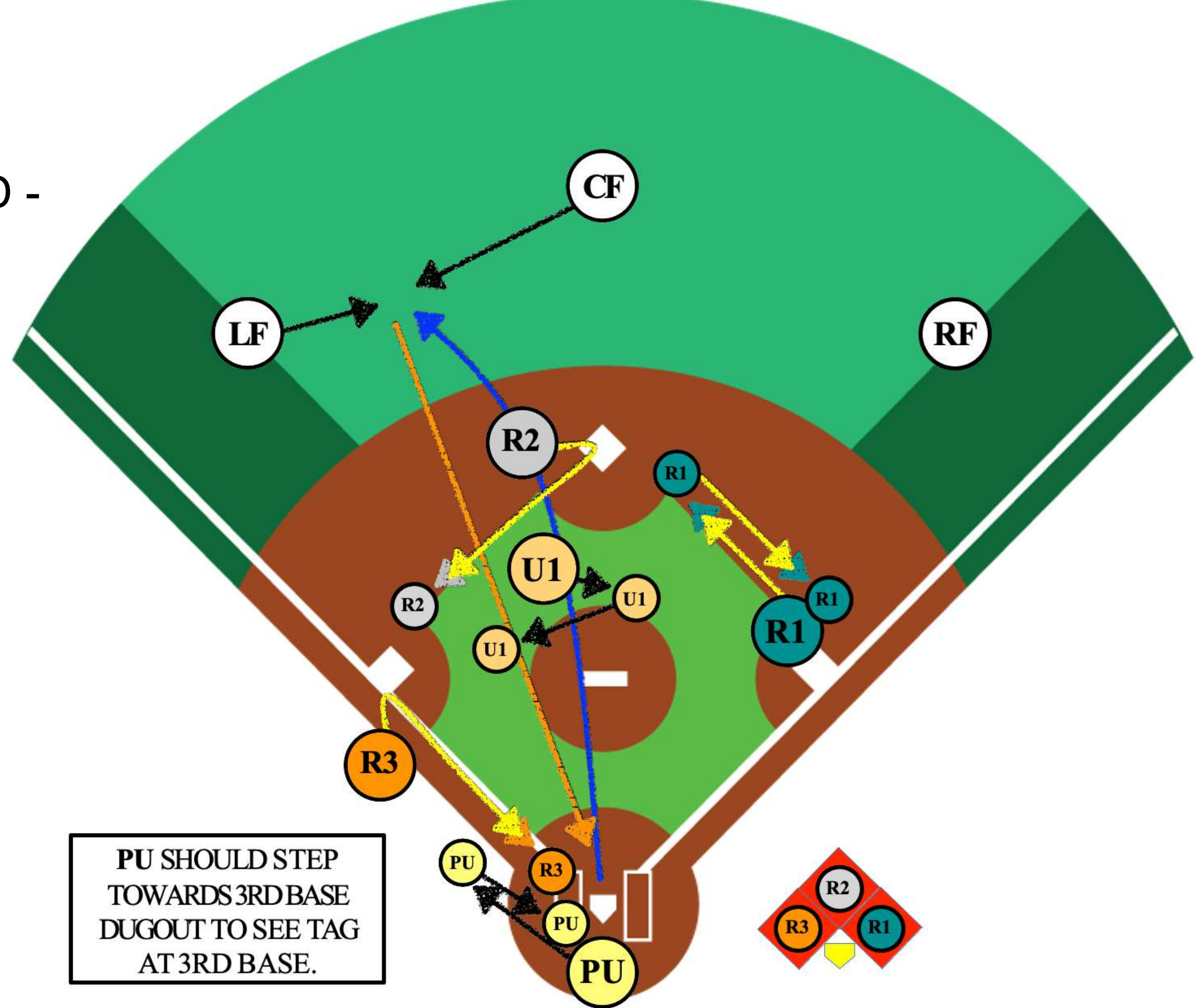




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## FLY BALL TO LEFT|CENTER FIELD - CATCH

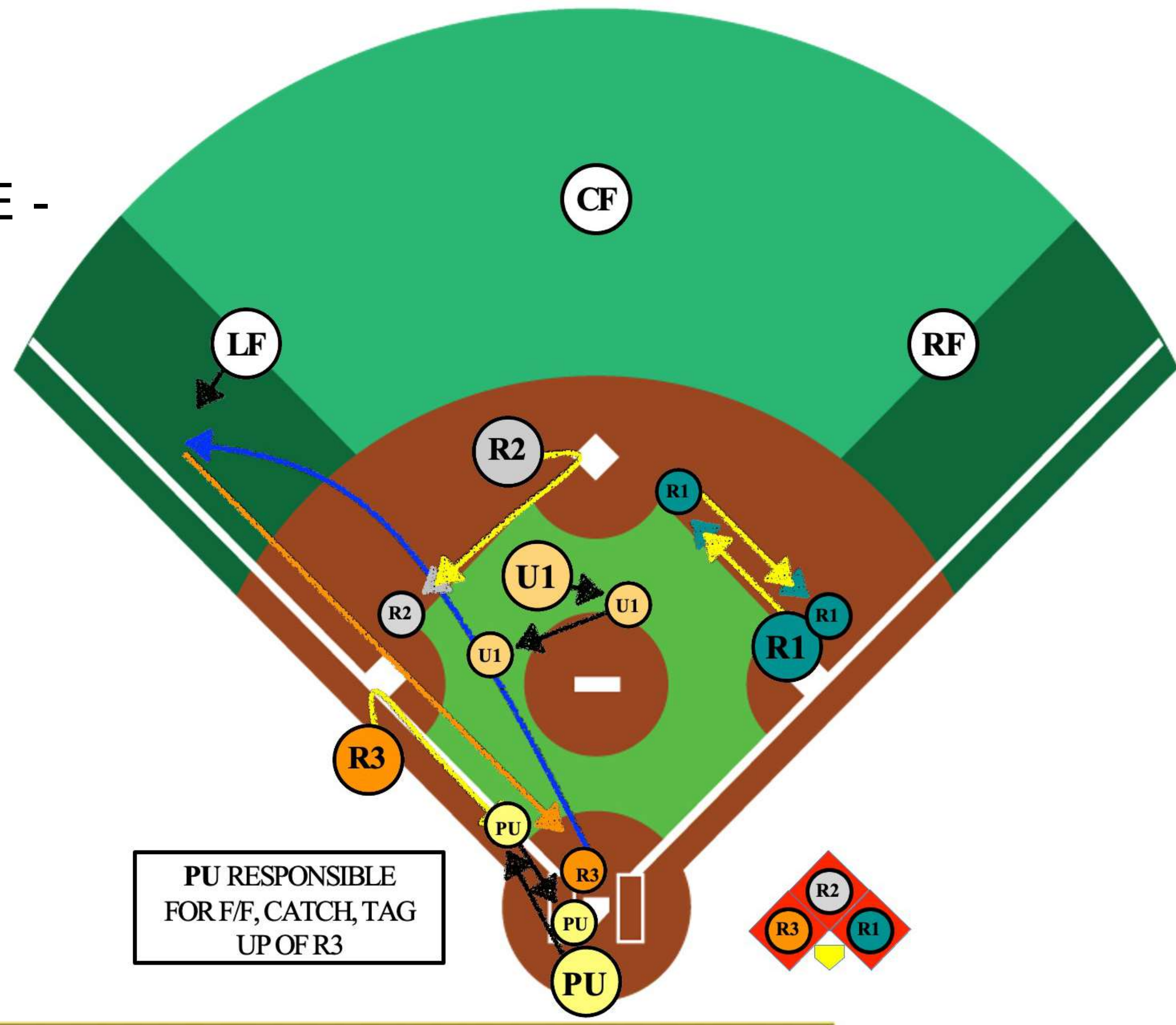
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  - U1** 1st Base Umpire
  - PU** Home Plate Umpire
-  Fly Ball **CATCH**
-  Throw
-  Runner's Path



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## FLY BALL TO LEFT FIELD LINE - CATCH

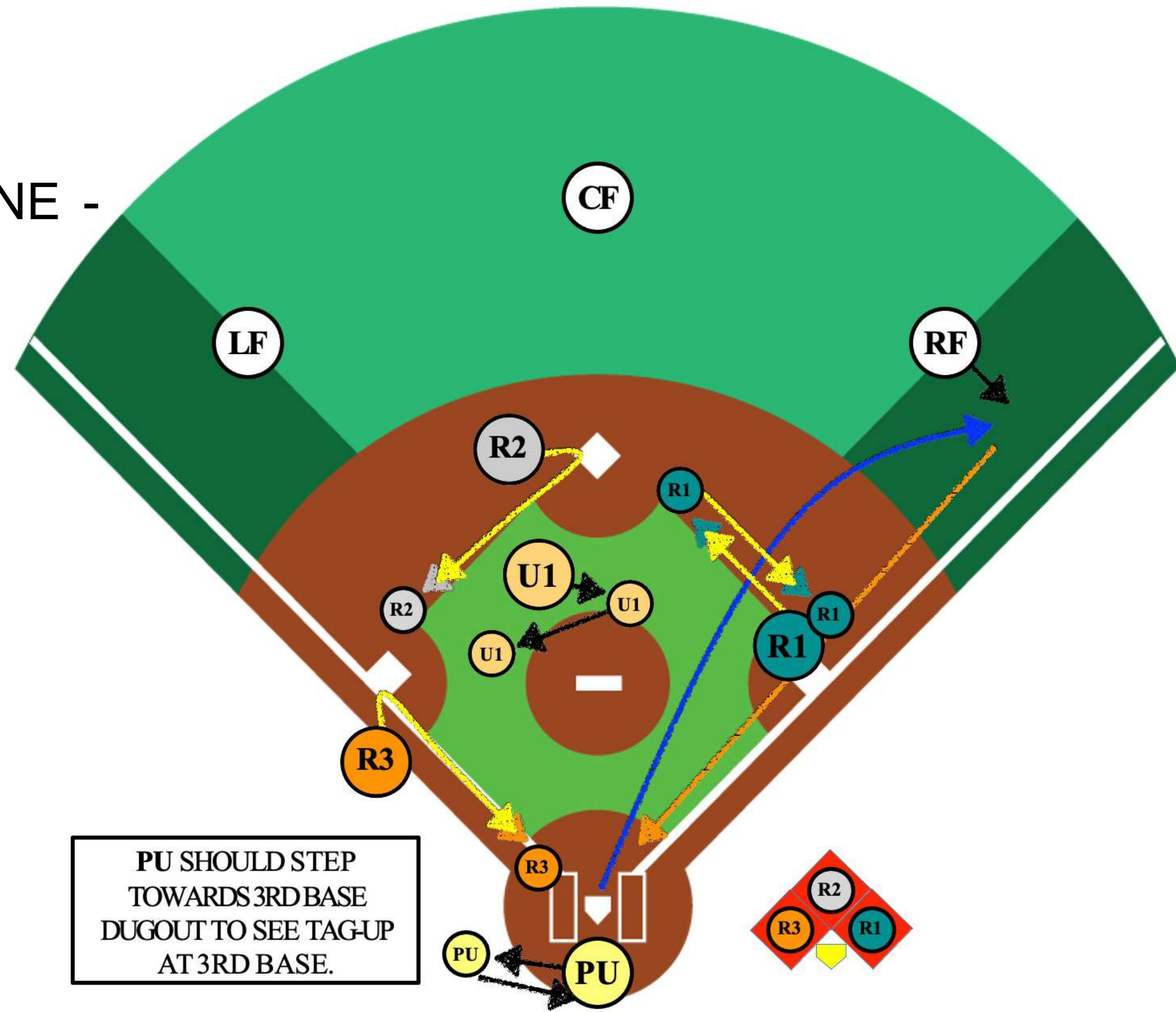
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-  Throw
-  Runner's Path



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## FLY BALL TO RIGHT FIELD LINE - CATCH

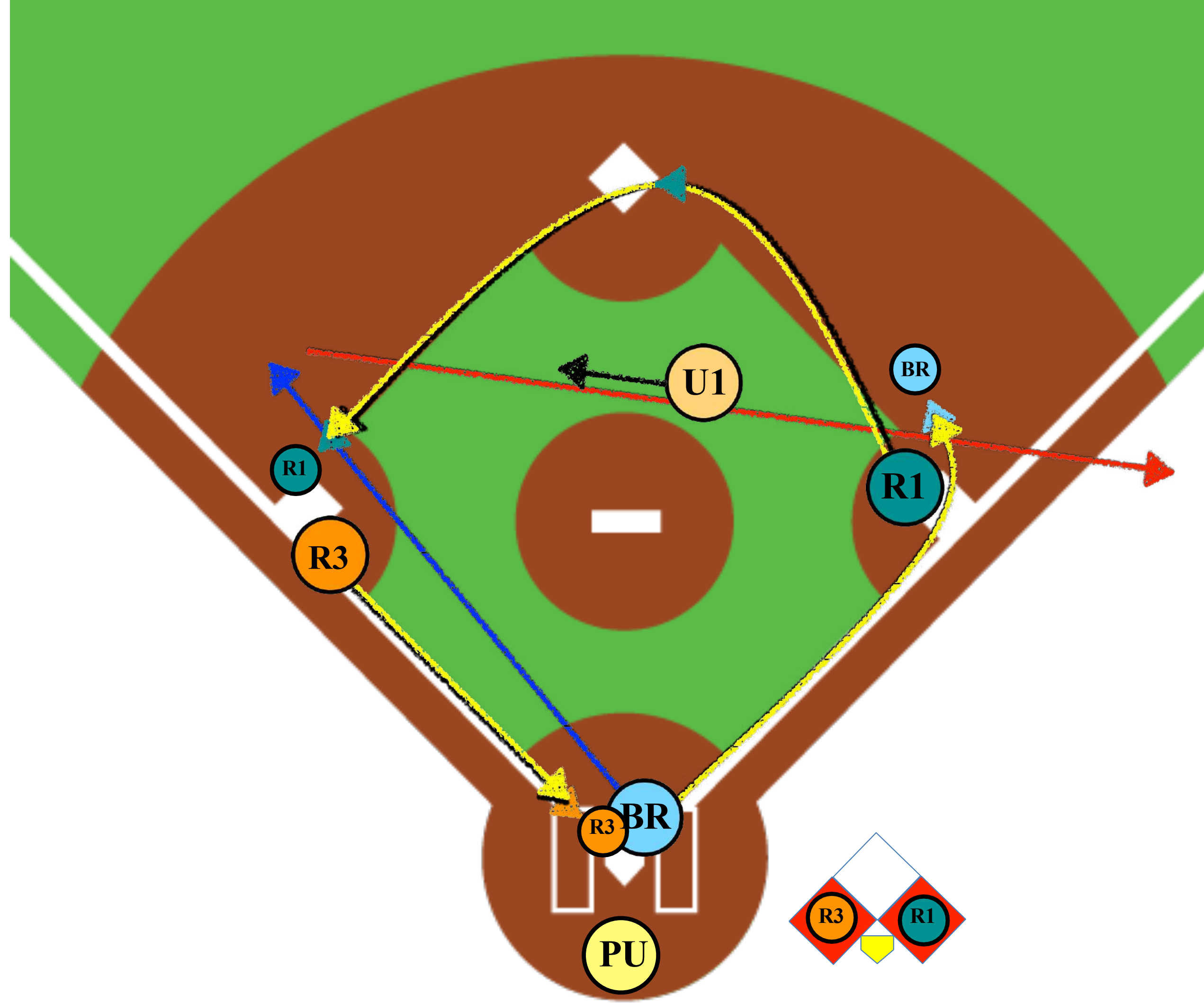
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  - PU** Home Plate Umpire
- Fly Ball **CATCH** (Blue arrow)
- Runner's path (Yellow arrow)
- Throw (Orange arrow)



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## PLAYS WITHIN THE INFIELD ON AN OVERTHROW

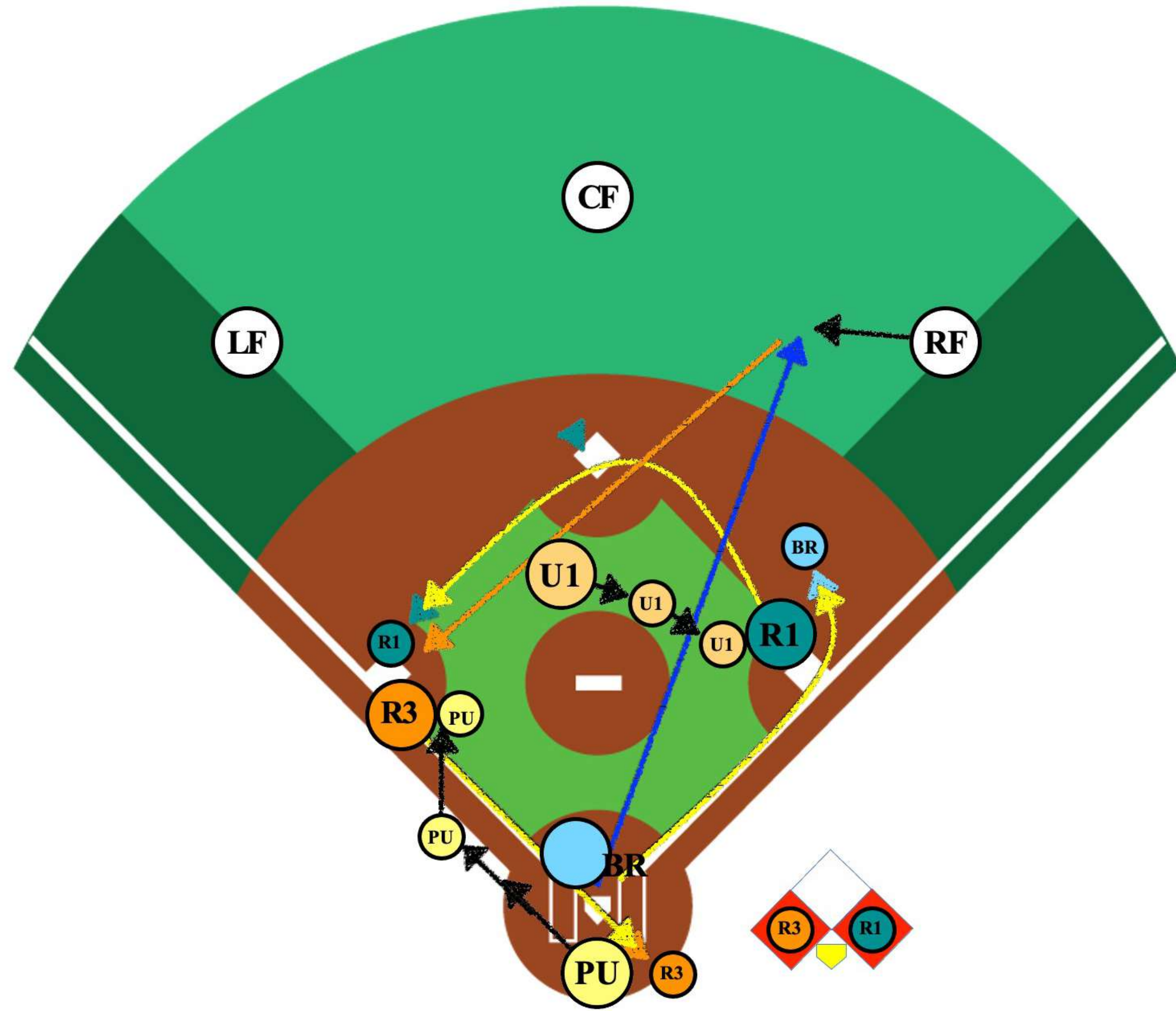
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-  Runner's path
-  Ground Ball
-  Batter-Runner
-  Runner on 3rd
-  Runner on 1st
-  1st Base Umpire
-  Home Plate Umpire



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## BASE HIT TO THE OUTFIELD

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- R1** Runner on 1st
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- Base Hit** (Blue arrow)
- Throw** (Orange arrow)
- Runner's path** (Yellow arrow)



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## FLY BALL CENTER | RIGHT - CATCH

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**CF** Center Field

**LF** Left Field

**Base Hit**

**Throw**

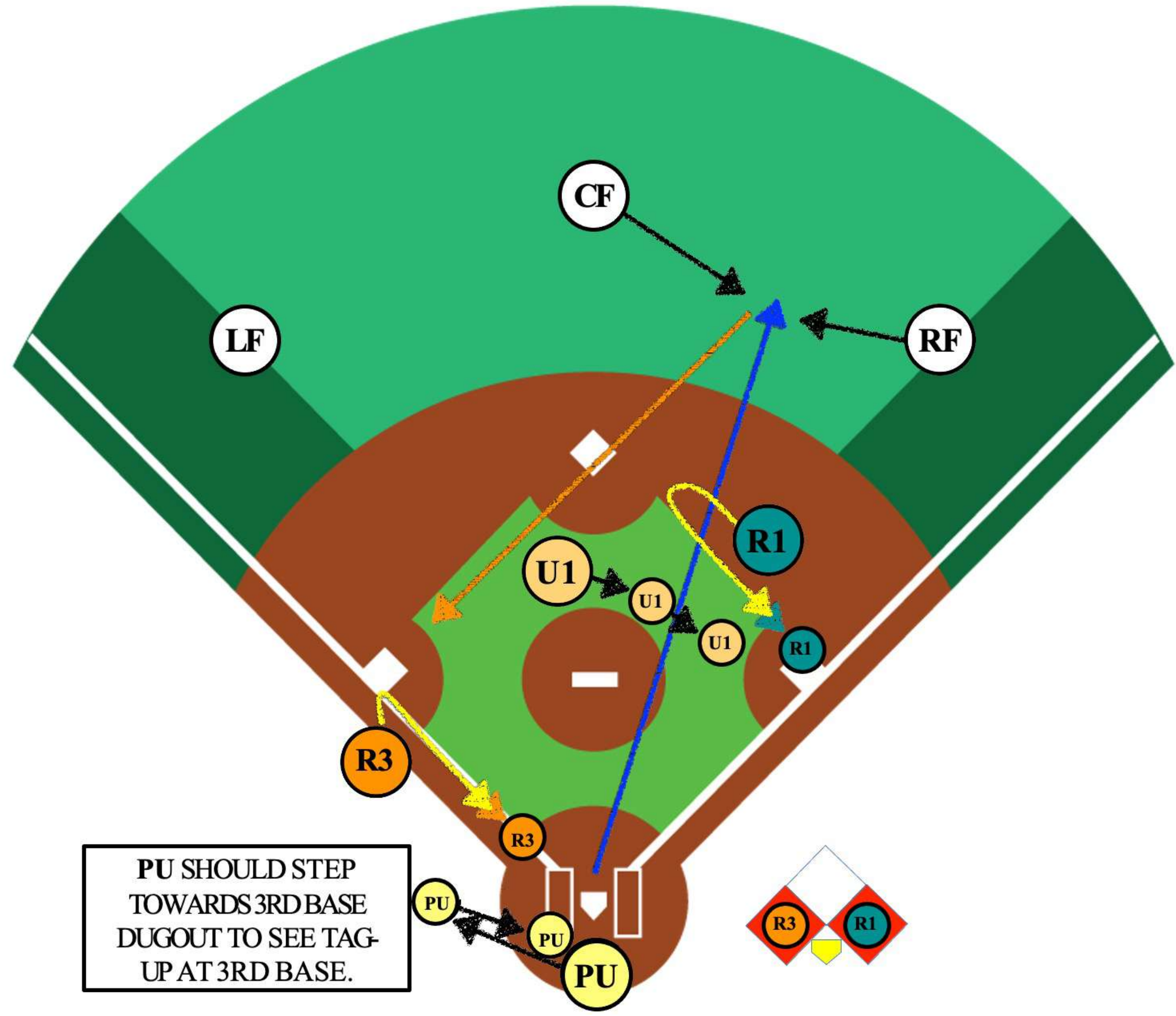
**Runner's Path**

**R1** Runner on 1st

**R3** Runner on 3rd

**U1** 1st Base Umpire

**PU** Home Plate Umpire



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## FLY BALL LEFT FIELD LINE - CATCH

**RF** Right Field

**CF** Center Field

**LF** Left Field

**Base Hit**

**Throw**

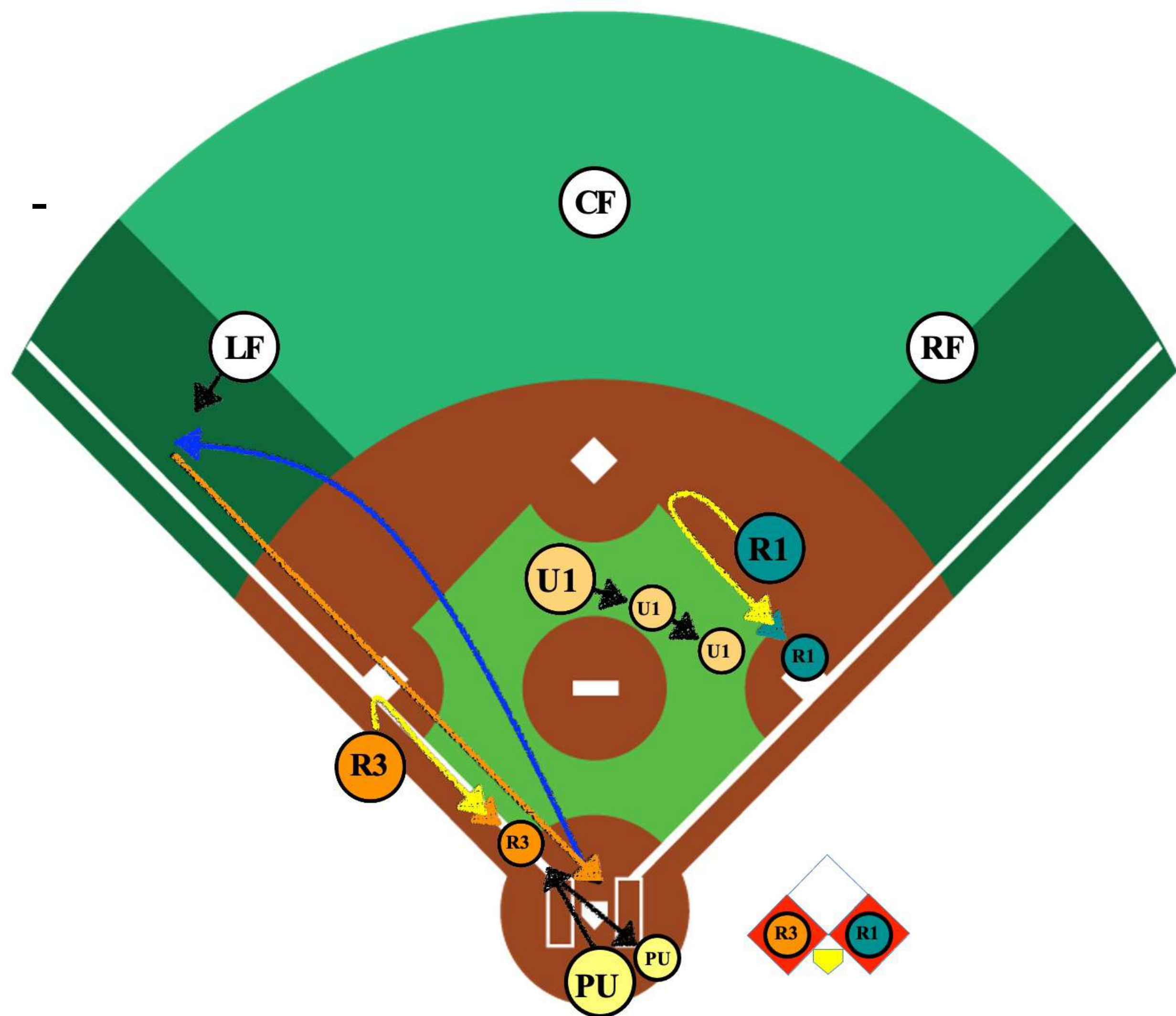
**Runner's Path**

**R1** Runner on 1st

**R3** Runner on 3rd

**U1** 1st Base Umpire

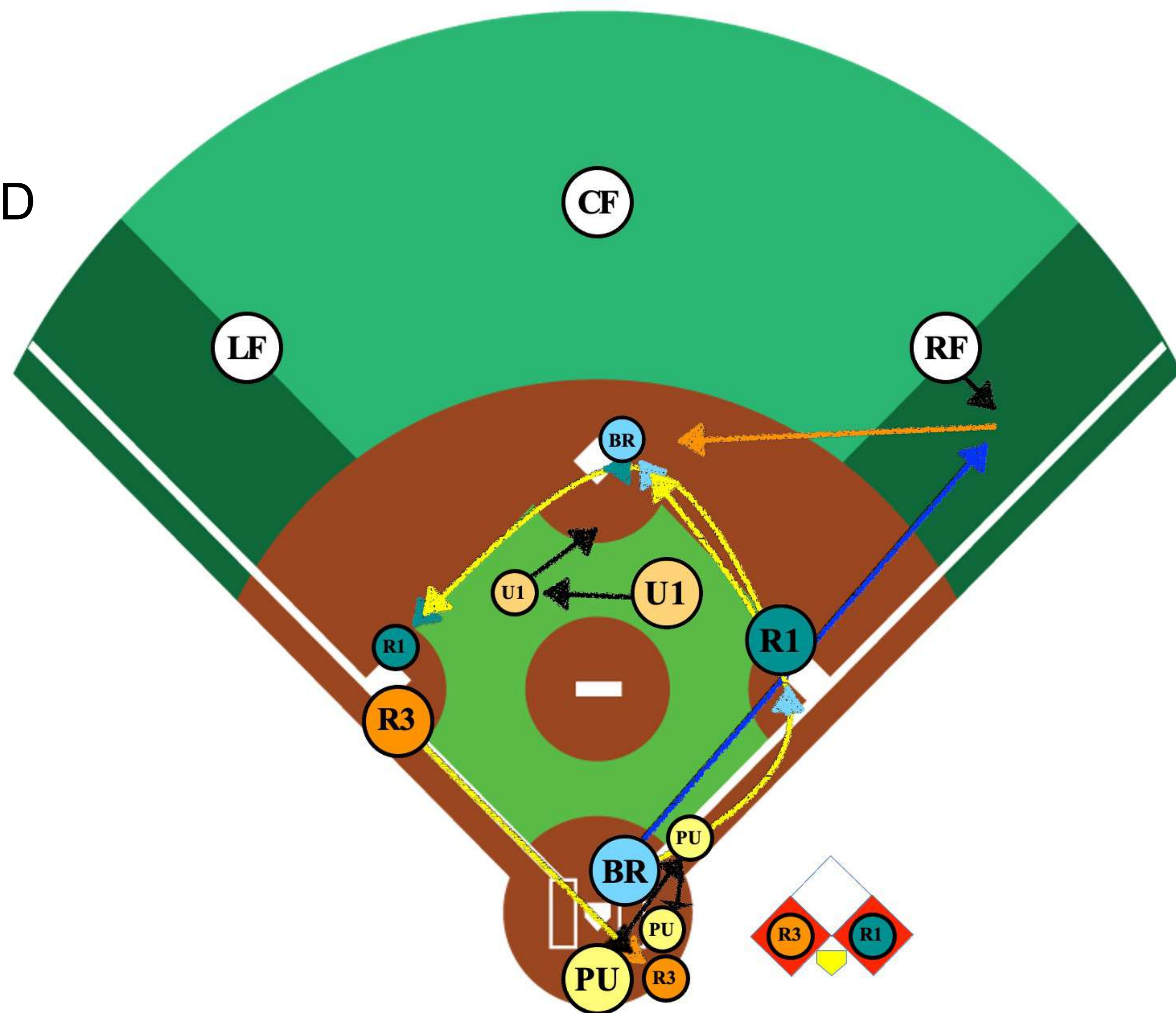
**PU** Home Plate Umpire



# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

## FLY BALL TO THE RIGHT FIELD LINE - NO CATCH

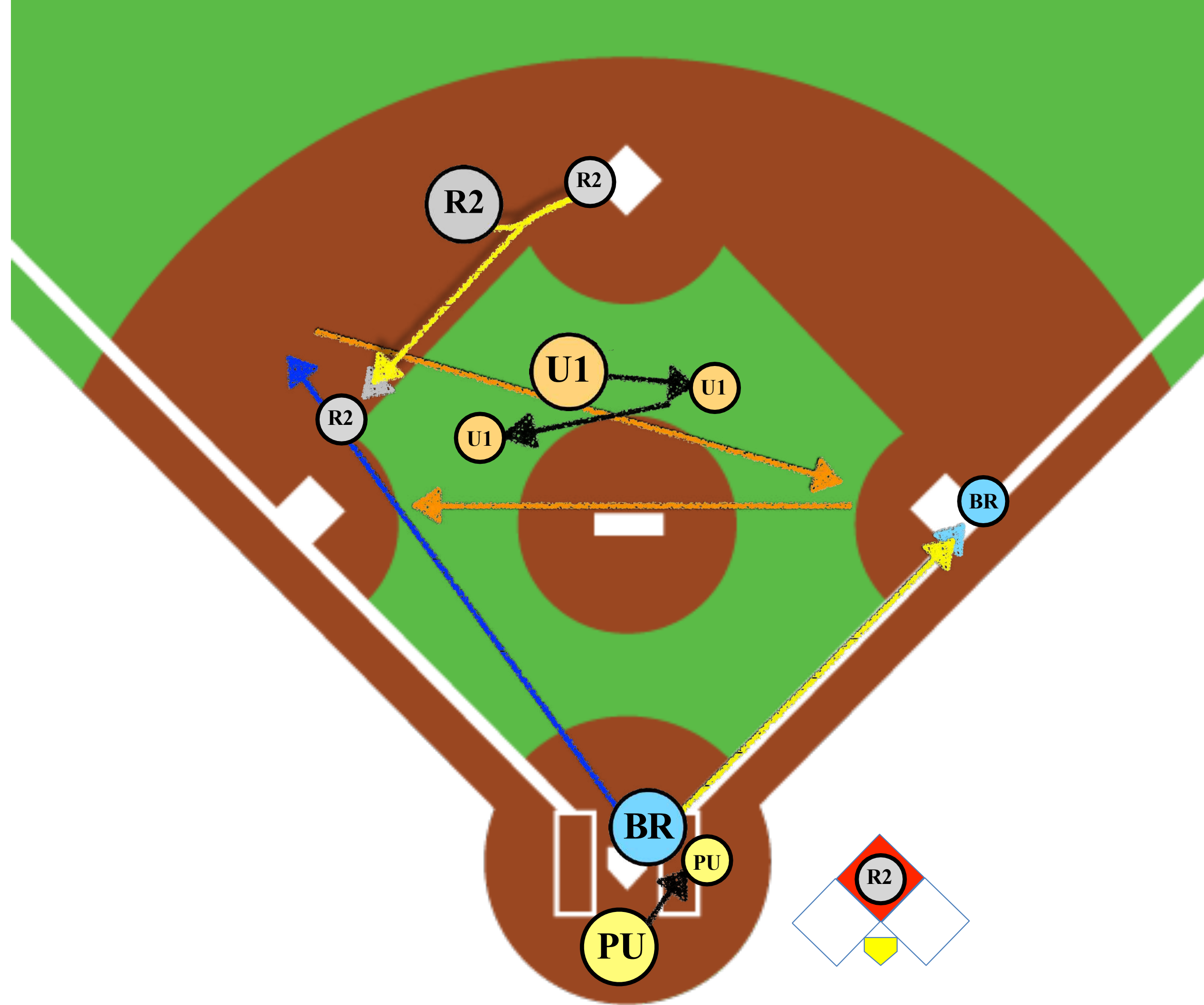
- RF Right Field
- LF Left Field
- ➔ Base Hit
- ➔ Runner's path
- BR Batter-Runner
- R1 Runner on 1st
- R3 Runner on 3rd
- CF Center Field
- ➔ Throw
- U1 1st Base Umpire
- PU Home Plate Ump















# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS PLAYS WITHIN THE INFIELD

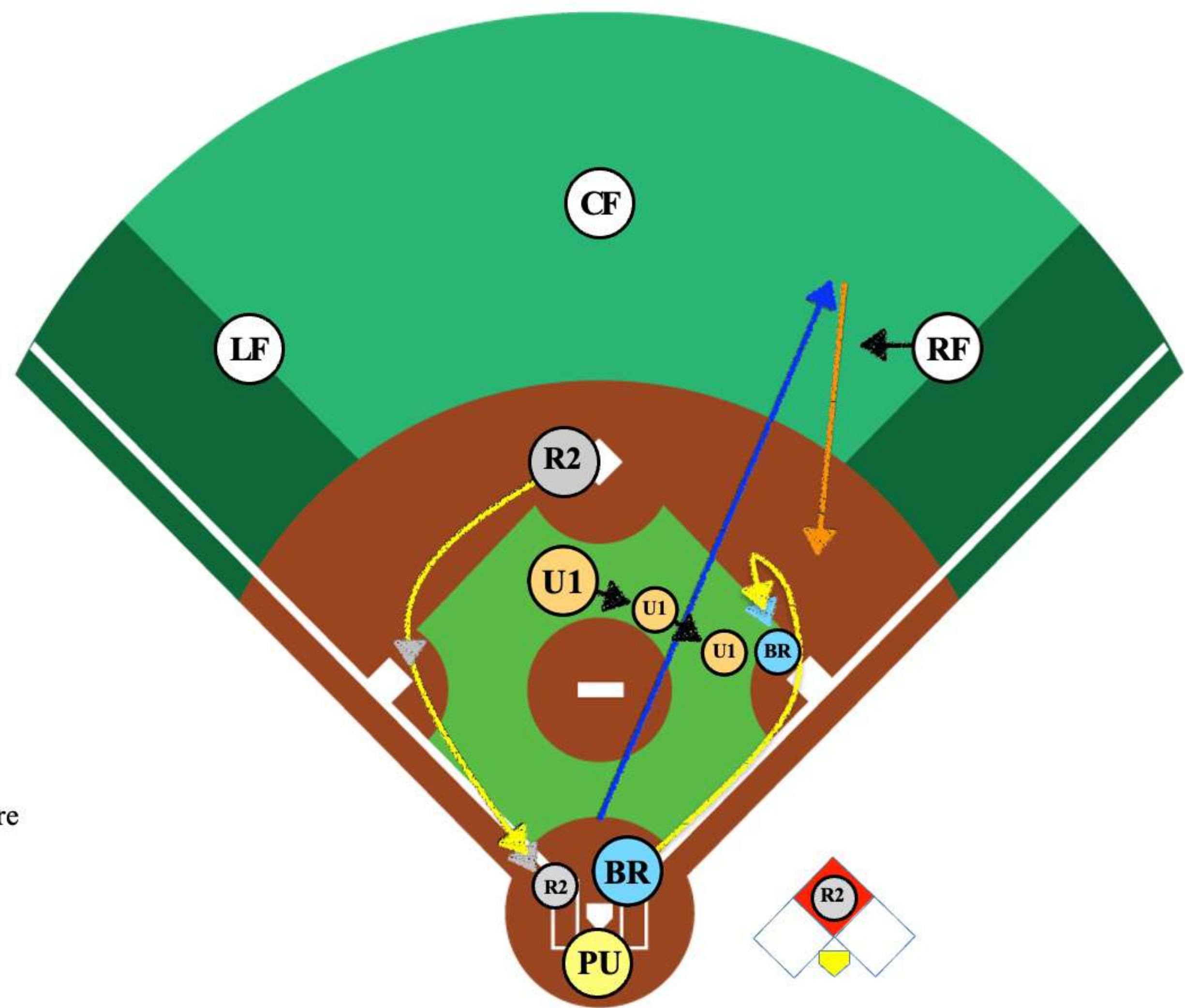
- Throw
- Runner's path
- Ground Ball
- BR** Batter-Runner
- R2** Runner on 2nd
- U1** 1st Base Umpire
- PU** Home Plate Umpire



# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

## BASE HIT TO THE OUTFIELD

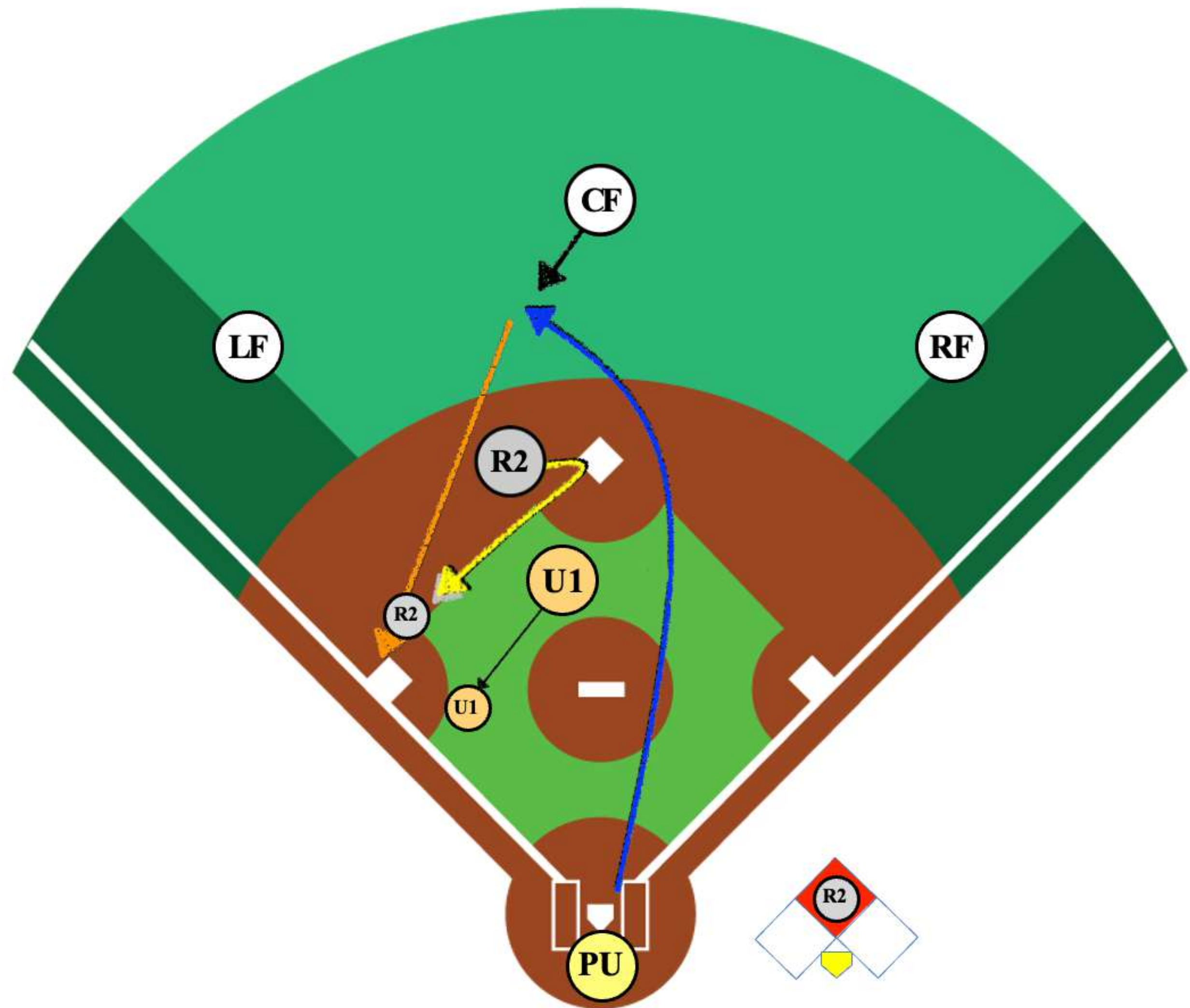
-  **RF** Right Field
-  **LF** Left Field
-  **Throw**
-  **Runner's path**
-  **Ground Ball**
-  **U1** 1st Base Umpire
-  **BR** Batter-Runner
-  **PU** Home Plate Umpire
-  **R2** Runner on 2nd
-  **CF** Center Field



# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

## FLY BALL TO CENTER FIELD CATCH

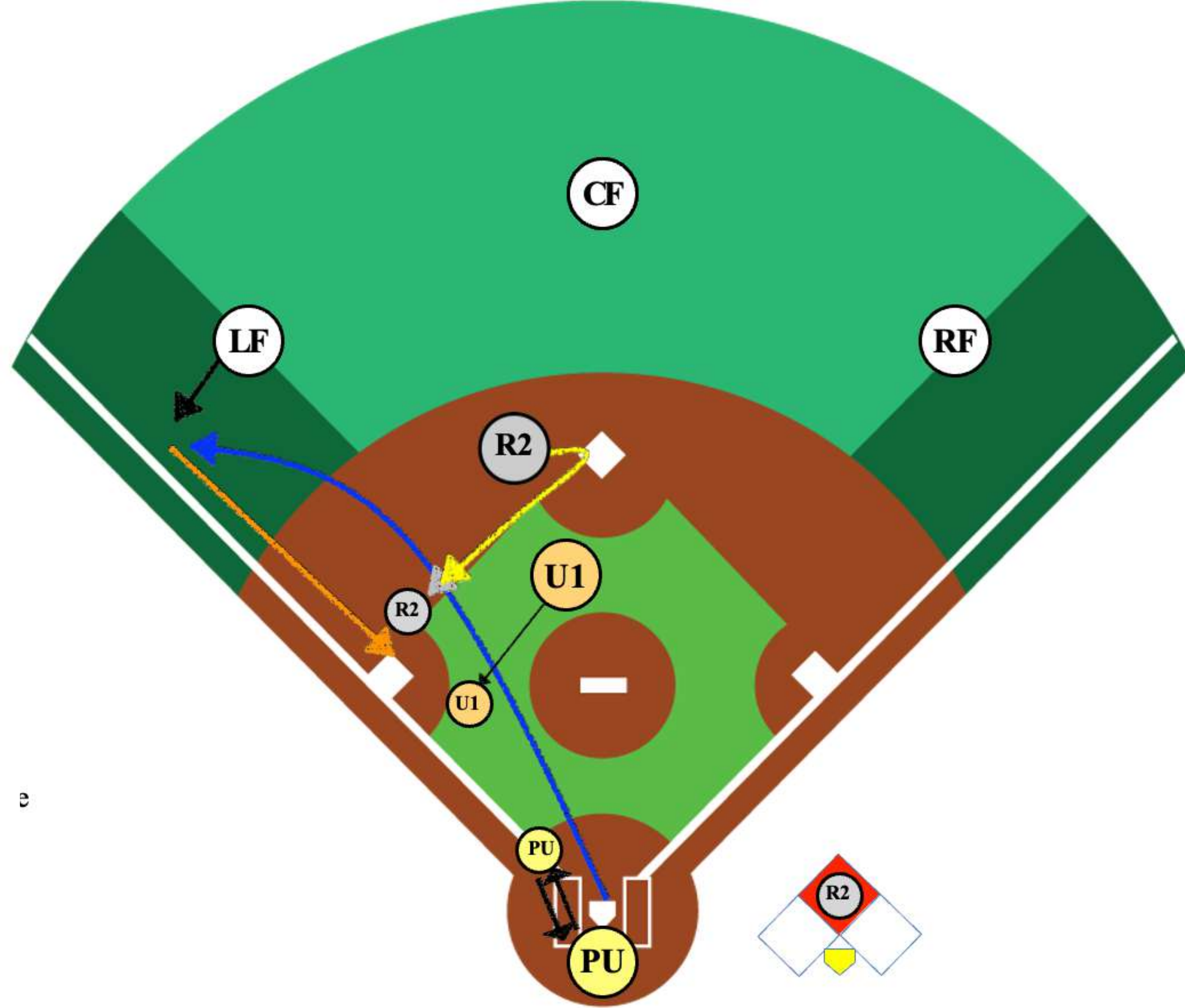
- RF** Right Field
- LF** Left Field
- CF** Center Field
- Throw** (Orange arrow)
- Runner's path** (Yellow arrow)
- Fly Ball CATCH** (Blue arrow)
- R2** Runner on 2nd
- U1** 1st Base Umpire
- PU** Home Plate Umpire



# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

## FLY BALL TO LEFT FIELD LINE CATCH

- RF** Right Field
- LF** Left Field
- CF** Center Field
- U1** 1st Base Umpire
- PU** Home Plate Umpire
- R2** Runner on 2nd
- Throw** (Orange arrow)
- Runner's path** (Yellow arrow)
- Fly Ball CATCH** (Blue arrow)



# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

## FLY BALL TO RIGHT FIELD LINE CATCH

**RF** Right Field      **CF** Center Field  
**LF** Left Field

 Throw

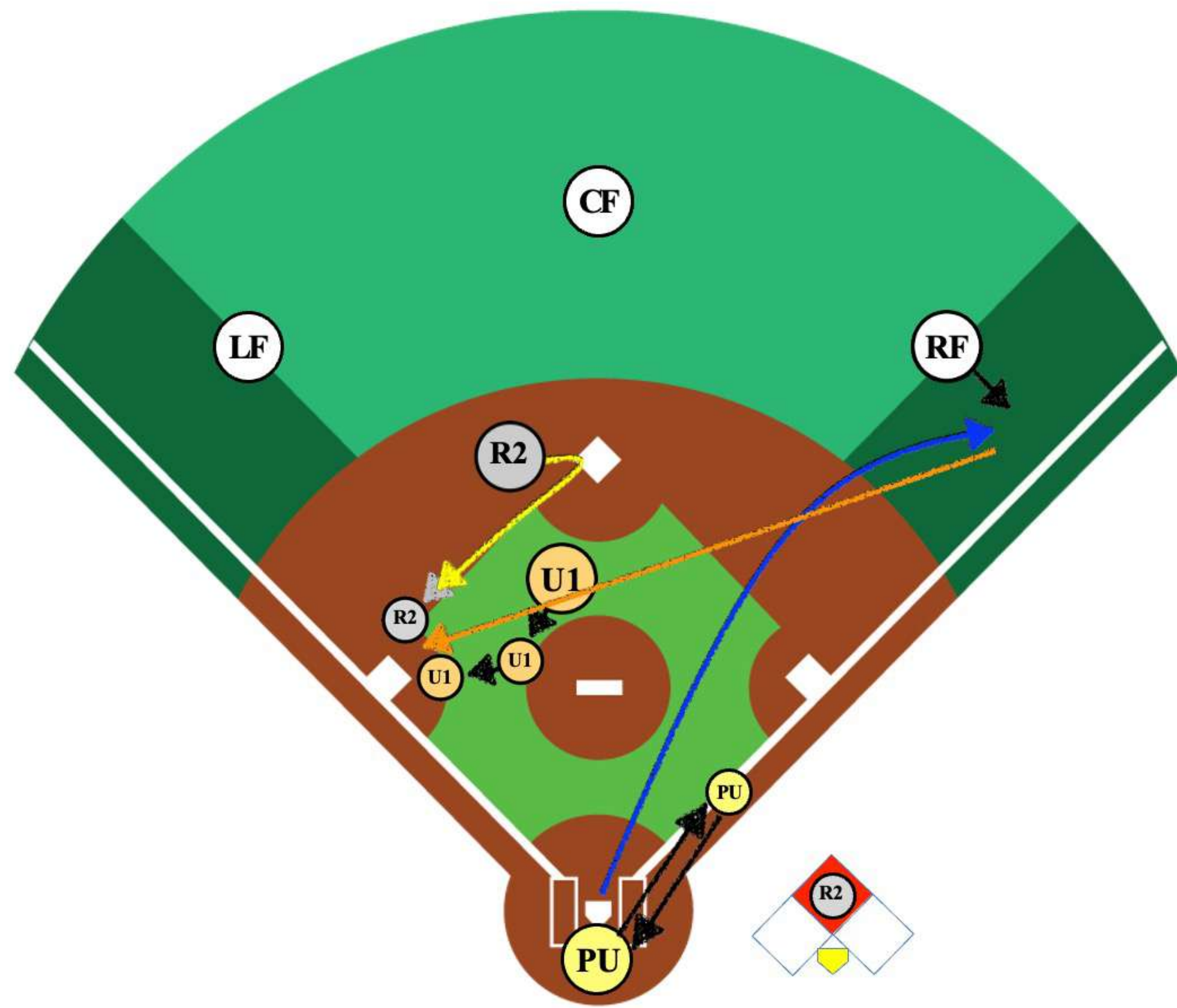
 Runner's path

 Fly Ball **CATCH**

**R2** Runner on 2nd









**U1** 1st Base Umpire

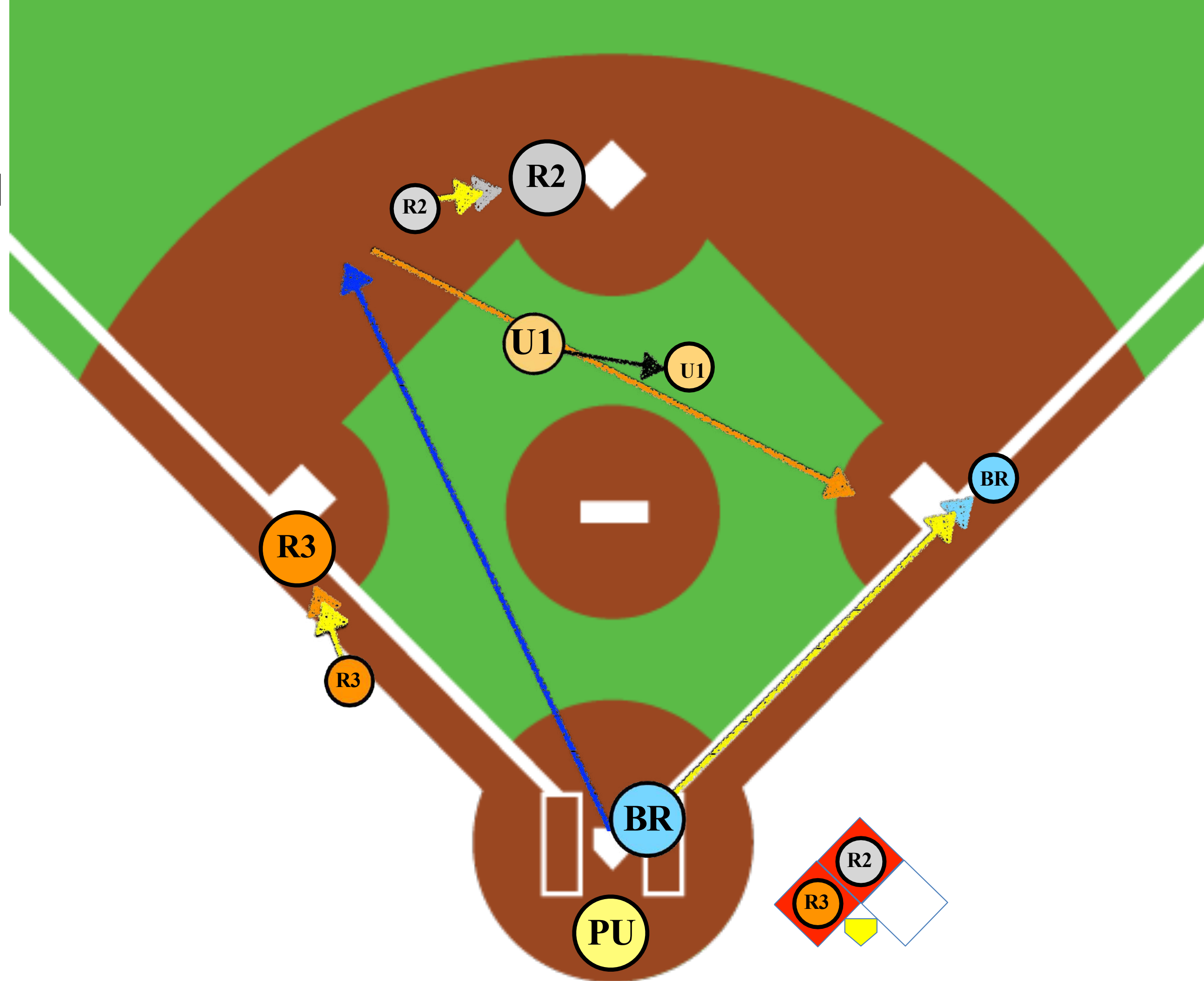
**PU** Home Plate Umpire



# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

## PLAYS WITHIN THE INFIELD ON AN OVERTHROW

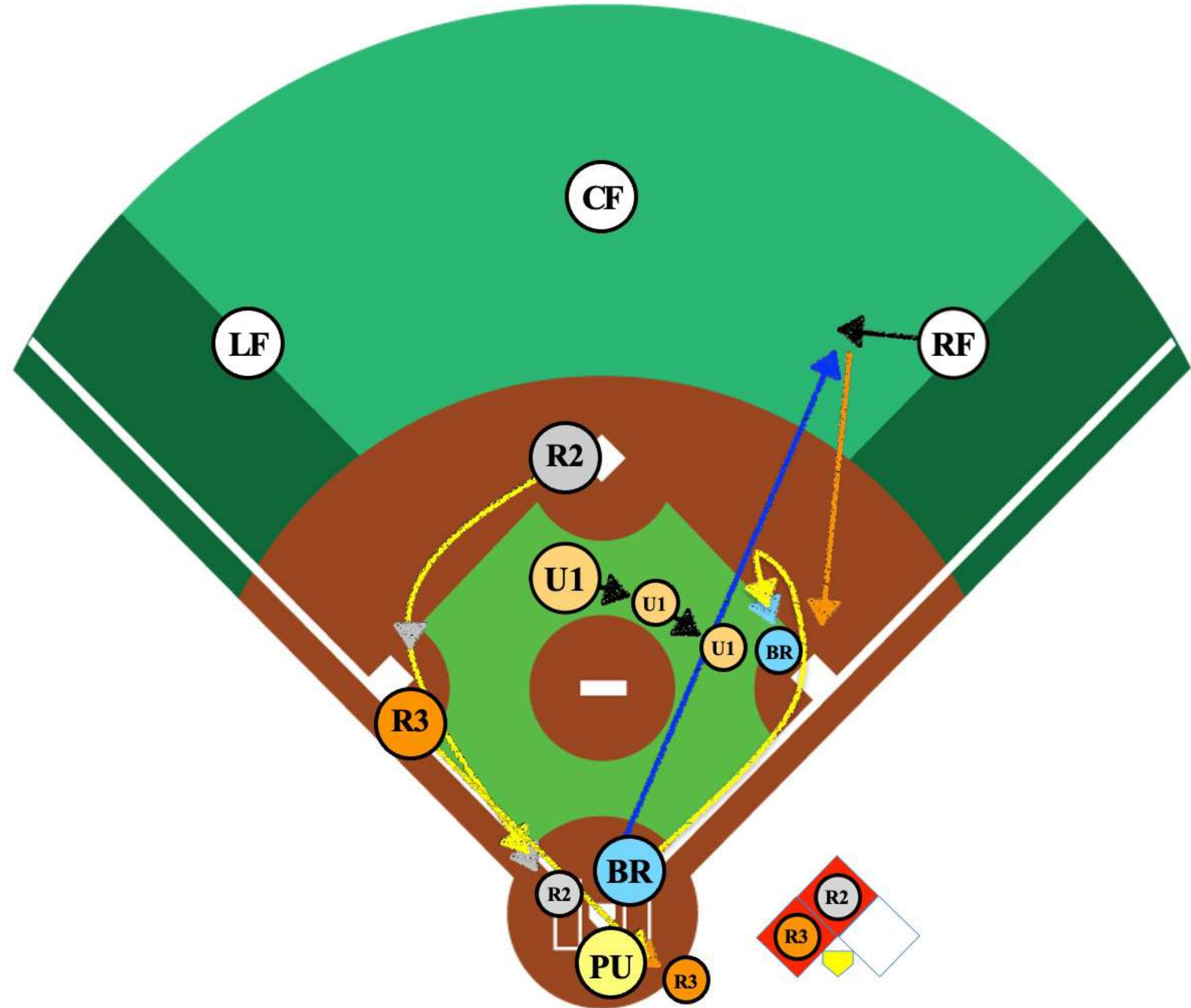
-  Wild Throw
-  Runner's path
-  Ground Ball
-  Batter-Runner
-  Runner on 3rd
-  Runner on 2nd
-  1st Base Umpire
-  Home Plate Umpire



# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS




## BASE HIT TO THE OUTFIELD

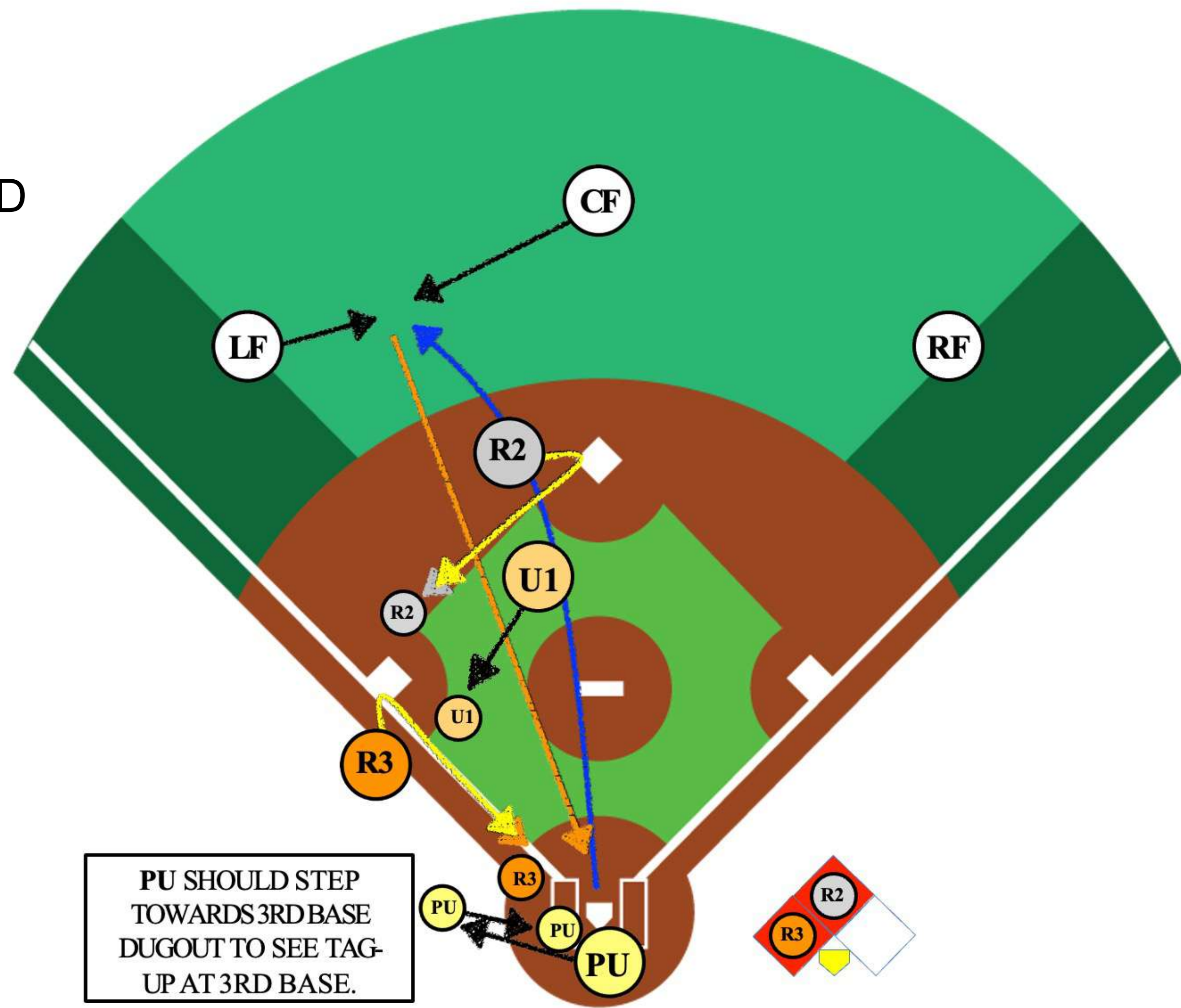
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- CF** Center Field
- BR** Batter-Runner
- R2** Runner on 2nd
- R3** Runner on 3rd
- U1** 1st Base Umpire
- PU** Home Plate Umpire
- Base Hit** (Blue arrow)
- Throw** (Orange arrow)
- Runner's path** (Yellow arrow)



# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

## FLYBALL TO LEFT | CENTER FIELD CATCH

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

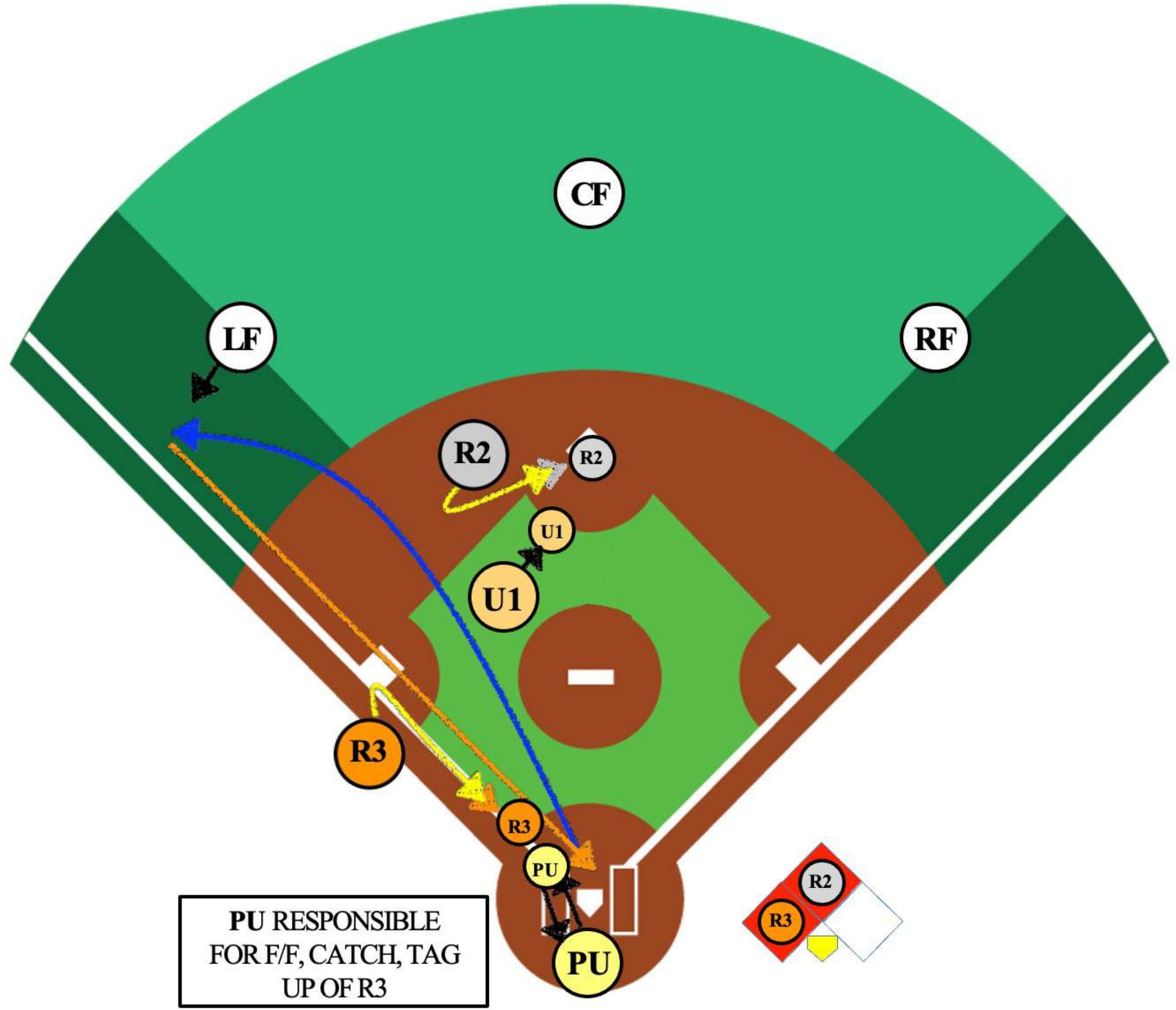




# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

## FLYBALL TO LEFT FIELD LINE CATCH

- RF** Right Field
- LF** Left Field
- CF** Center Field
- R2** Runner on 2nd
- R3** Runner on 3rd
- U1** 1st Base Umpire
- PU** Home Plate Umpire
- Fly Ball CATCH** (Blue arrow)
- Throw** (Orange arrow)
- Runner's Path** (Yellow arrow)



# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

## FLYBALL TO RIGHT FIELD LINE CATCH

**CF** Center Field

**RF** Right Field

**LF** Left Field

 Fly Ball **CATCH**

 Throw

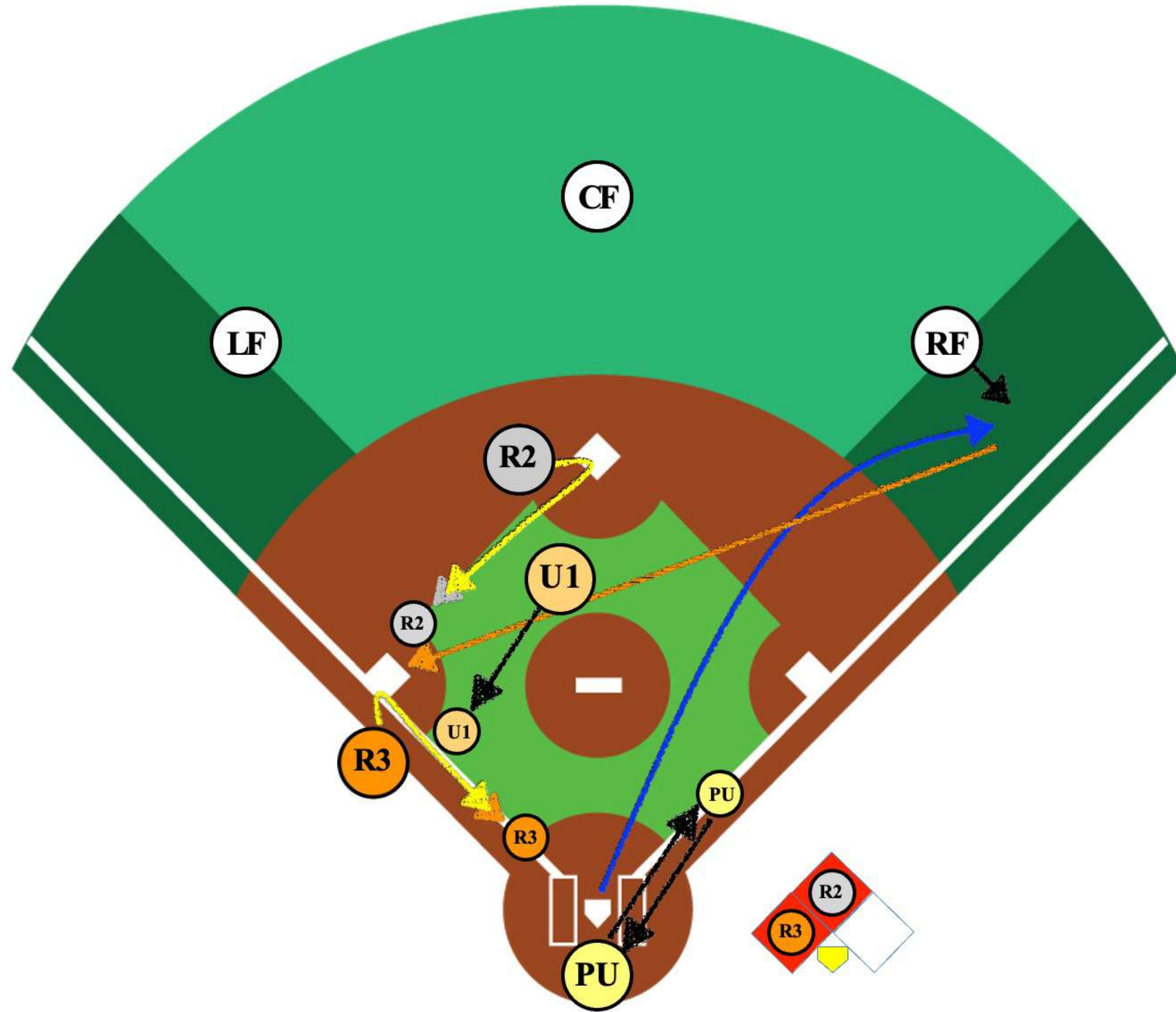
 Runner's Path

**R2** Runner on 2nd

**U1** 1st Base Umpire

**R3** Runner on 3rd

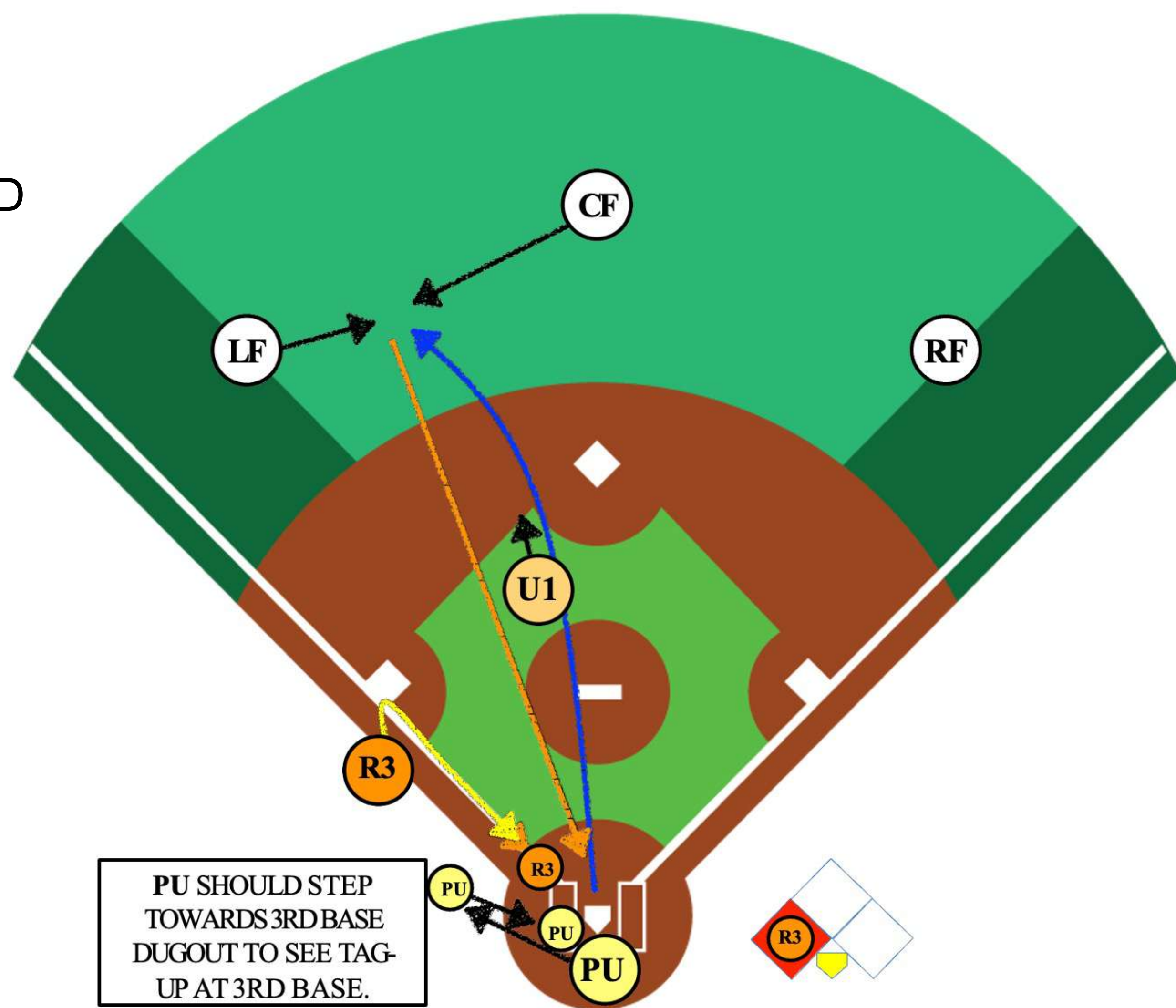
**PU** Home Plate Umpire



# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

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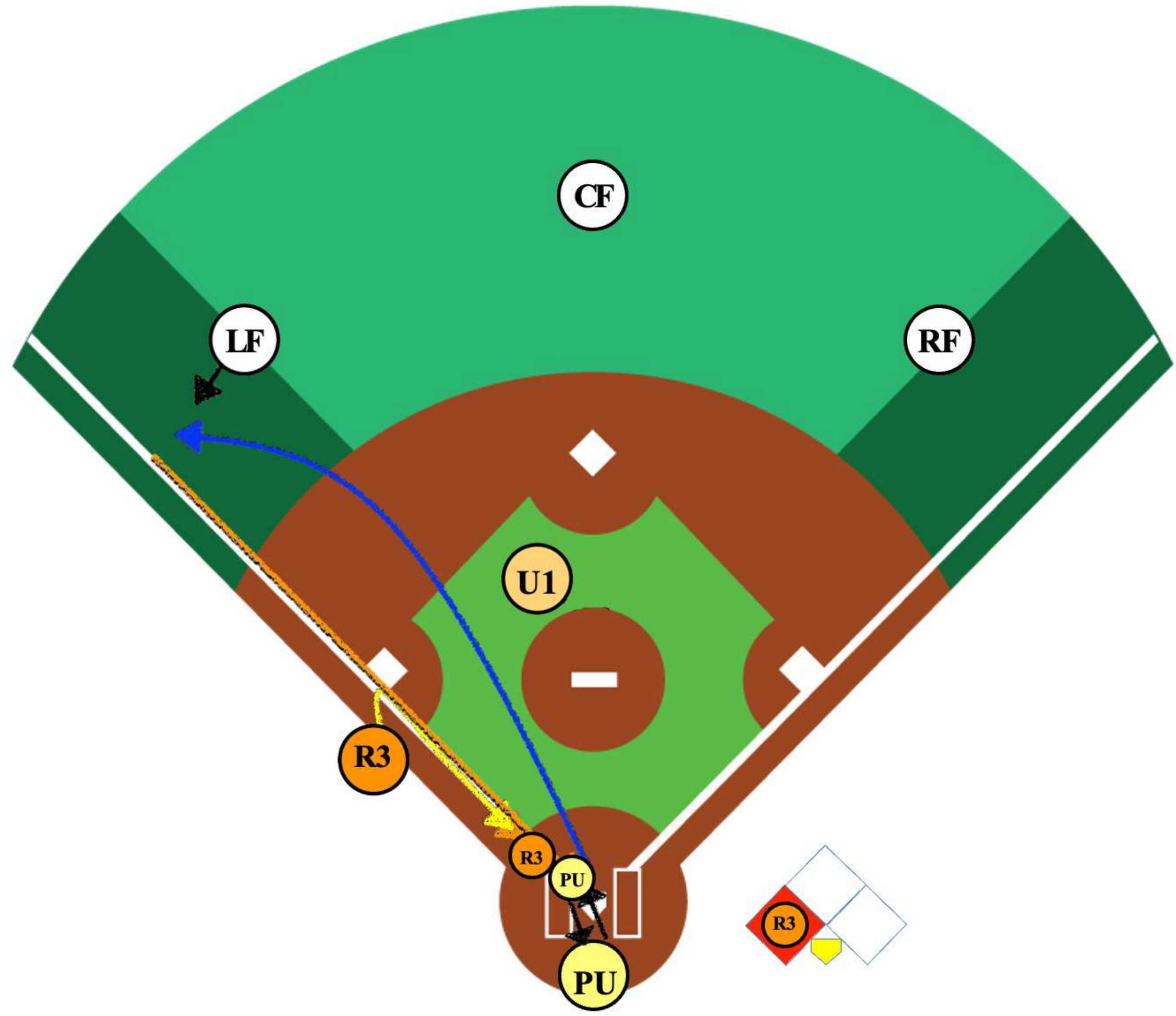


PU SHOULD STEP TOWARDS 3RD BASE DUGOUT TO SEE TAG-UP AT 3RD BASE.

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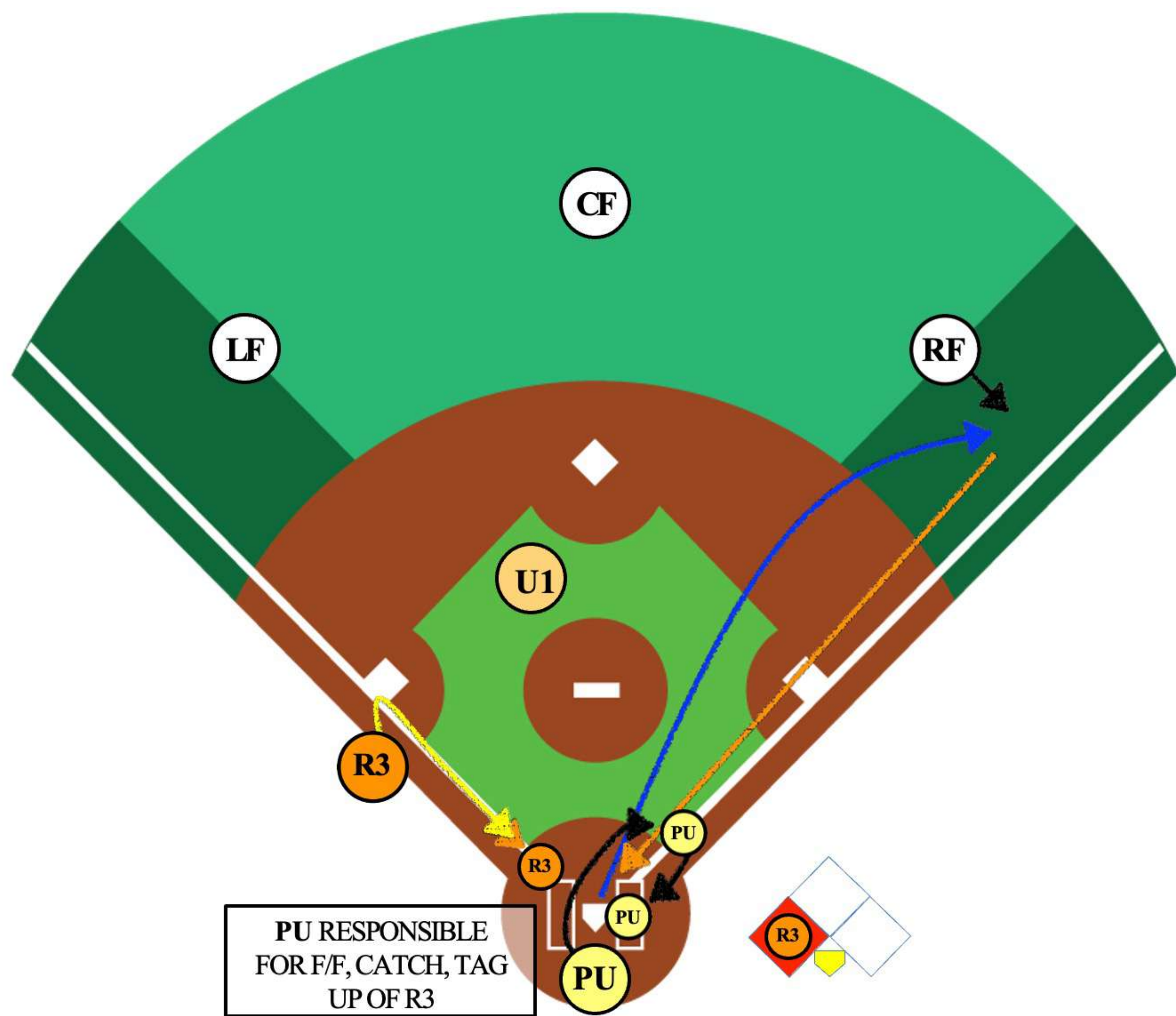
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- U1** 1st Base Umpire
- PU** Home Plate Umpire
- R3** Runner on 3rd
- Throw** (Orange arrow)
- Fly Ball CATCH** (Blue arrow)
- Runner's Path** (Yellow arrow)



# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS




## FLYBALL TO RIGHT FIELD LINE CATCH

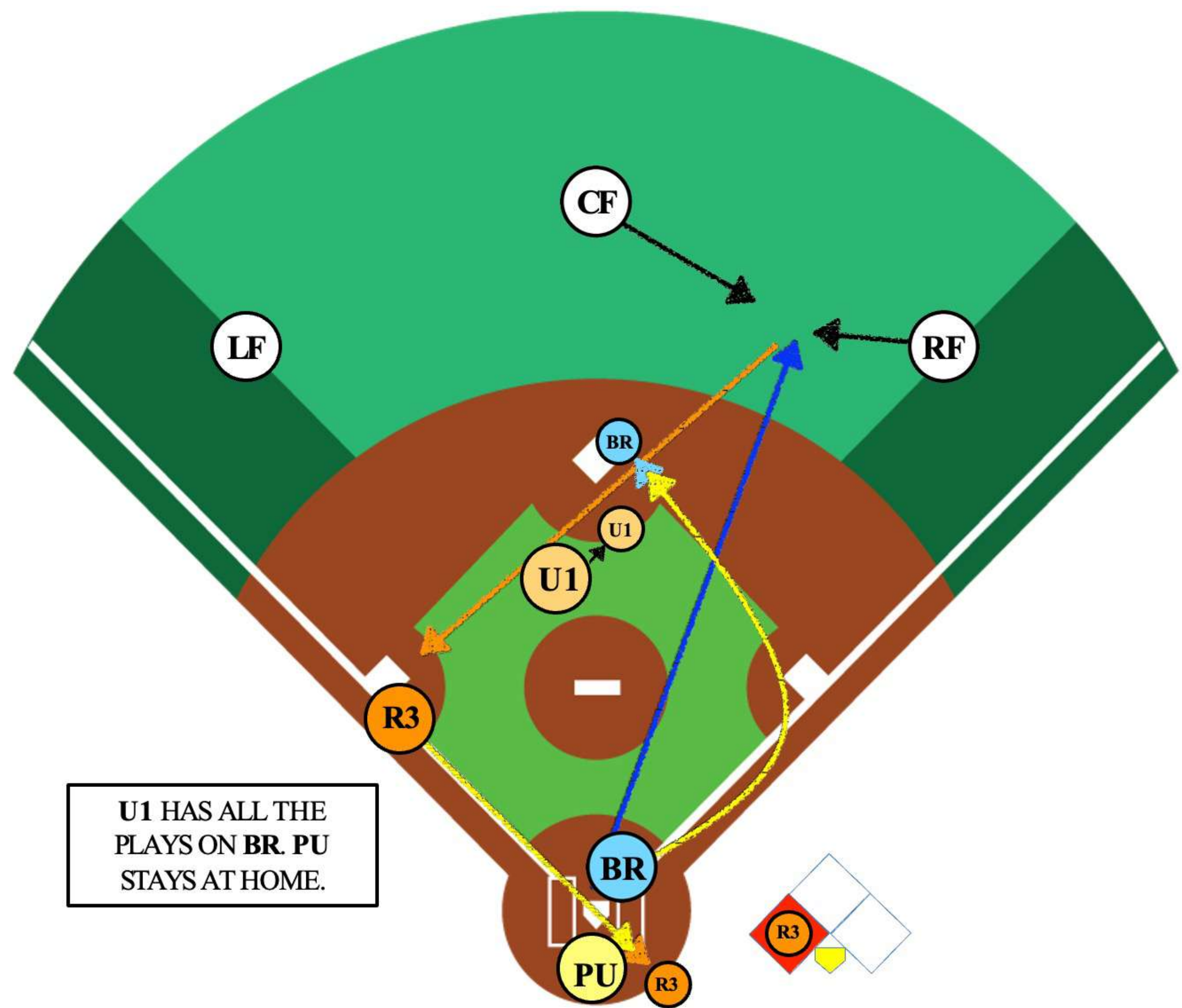
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- U1** 1st Base Umpire
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- Runner's Path** (yellow arrow)



# 2 UMPIRE MECHANICS

## BASE HIT TO OUTFIELD

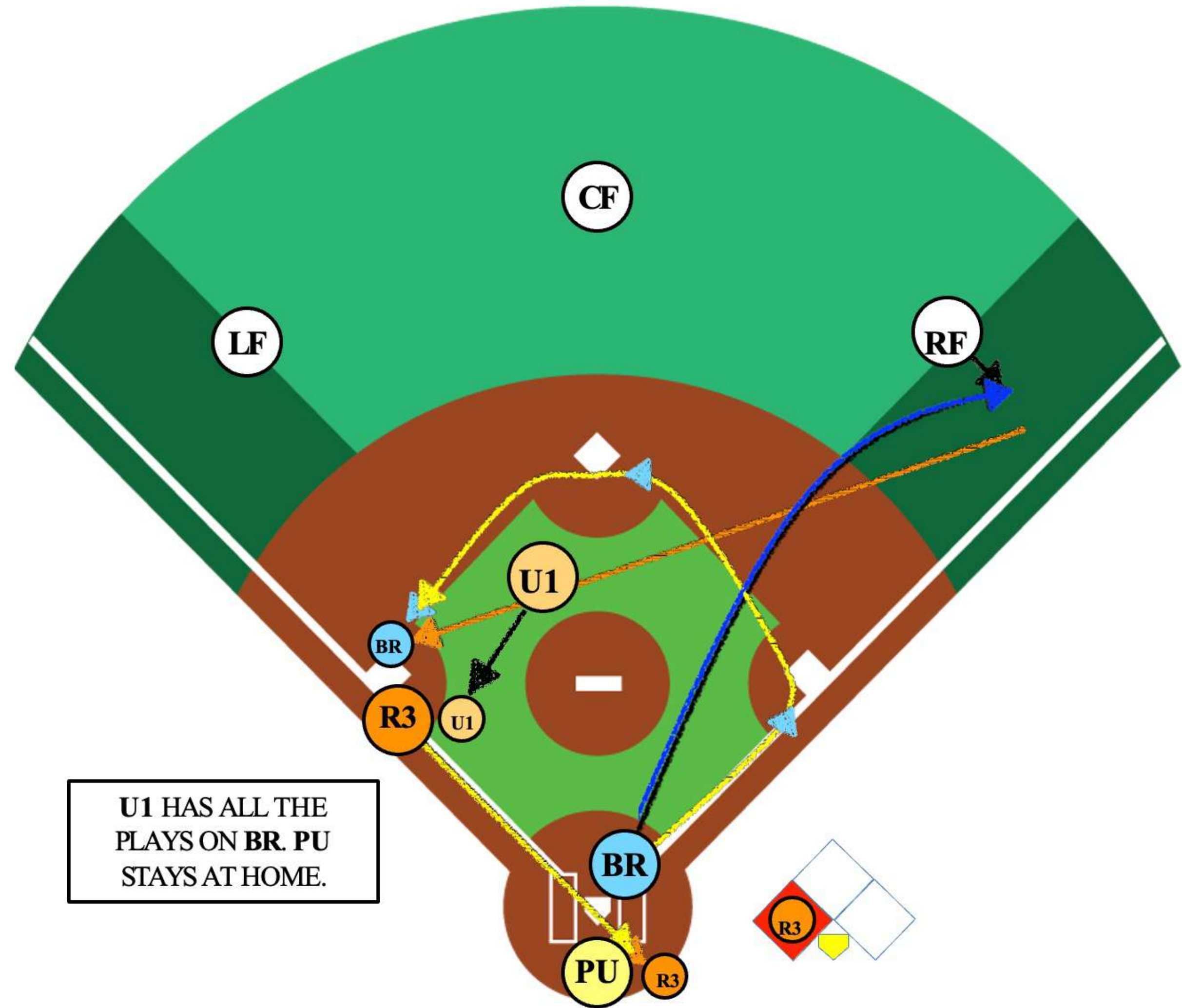
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  Runner's Path



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U1 HAS ALL THE PLAYS ON BR. PU STAYS AT HOME.

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