Thought I’d update my Under the Hood play-by-play report from a few years ago with a new version that is based on the latest rules and v3 charts.

I’m using the 1962 card set and the game is from my replay – we’re at Tiger Stadium for a game between Detroit and Kansas City. Temp is 80, wind is blowing L to R at 10 MPH.

I’ll use a WhiteBlackRedGreen configuration for noting the dice rolls. Weather effects on the game will be noted as they apply.

TOP OF THE FIRST INNING

Paul Foytack on the mound for Detroit. First batter is the A’s center fielder Jose Tartabull. Roll of 4-2, 9-5 gives an RNG-SG2. That’s a range play. Check the GB2 column on the tri-fold sheet for grounders with bases empty and go to 9 (the red die result because red die results indicate where the ball has been hit to), where an LHB has grounded to 2B (if Tartabull batted right, it would have been a grounder to 3B). Go back to the original roll and read the green die and the red die sequentially – a 59 and take that to the Range Plays chart and get a result of <4, which means the second baseman must have a fielding rating of 1, 2 or 3 to make the play. Tigers 2B Dick McAuliffe is a 4, so ball scoots under his glove and Tartabull has a lead-off single.

The next batter, Ed Charles, rolls a 3-4, 7-0. The 3-4 comes up a BB(0) on Charles’ card versus a RHP, Since there is a number after the BB result, we must go to Foytack’s card to see whether he can block the walk. We check his BB Rating section versus a RHB and at 0 find an LF2 result – a long fly ball. On the fly balls chart we check the LF2 column with a baserunner on 1st (the second row down) and a red die 7 yields a long fly to CF. Since there is no base runner notation, it’s just a fly out to CF and Tartabull remains at 1st. 1 out.

Next up is Jerry Lumpe. He gets a 4-2, 4-1 – a BB(2). Since Lumpe is an LHB, we check Foytack’s BB Rating columns versus lefties and see that it’s blank at 2 – that means Foytack couldn’t block the BB and so Lumpe trots to 1st with a free pass. A’s have runners on 1st and 2nd with 1 out.

Norm Siebern steps into the batter’s box. He gets a 5-4, 3-9 dice roll – 5-4 on his card is a red SN3. We check Siebern’s Hit Range rating versus an RHP and see he’s a 77. Back to the red-green roll, we read the green die first to get a 9-3 – that’s higher than Siebern’s hit rating, so it’s a single. We go to the hits chart, find the SN3 column and go down to the scoring position line – comes up CF aa R2->Hm(Hm); R1B (C )->3rd. That’s a single with the CF angling away from the infield. The runner on 2nd scores easily, but let’s look at the runner on 1st. Lumpe is a B base runner. Because the B result is in red, it means any base runner who is a B or better can advance to 3rd. The C is in parenthesis, which means that with 2 out, runners with that rating or higher could advance to 3rd.

So we have an RBI single by Siebern that moves Lumpe to 3rd.

Manny Jimenez up next, and he gets a 3-1, 6-0 – a red DB2. Jimenez has a 68 Hit Range, so Foytack has a chance to block the hit. A roll of the Pitcher’s Die comes up with a B. Since it’s the 1st inning, we have to check Foytack’s Early rating to see whether he is especially tough in the 1st. But Foytack is a C – nothing special there, so Jimenez’s double stands. Because it is a DB3 with a runner in scoring position, we check the third row of the hits chart at the 6 entry and get a CF btw R1B -> Hm. Lumpe scores on the double that bounces to the wall, and since Siebern is a B base runner, he scampers all the way from 1st to score.

A’s putting together a big inning here.

Wayne Causey gets a 3-6, 4-2 – an SN2. Pitcher’s Die comes up -3, which is a blank on Foytack’s card, so the hits just keep coming – the single to CF scores Jimenez.

Right fielder Gino Cimoli gets a 6-1, 3-6, an NF2, which is a fly out to RF with a runner on 1st. Two down.

Eighth batter of the inning is Joe Azcue. The roll comes up 5-2, 5-4 – an SN2 that Foytack will try to block. A Pitcher’s Die roll of 1 is a BTR/PU1. The split result means that if the bases are empty, the result to the left is in play and the batter’s result would stand, but with a runner on, the result to the right is in play. So Azcue pops out to 2B for the third out. Foytack survives a rough inning by getting some good die rolls on the Pitcher’s Die.

BOTTOM OF THE FIRST

Chico Fernandez bats first for the Tigers and gets a 1-3, 3-2 – an SN1 on Fernandez’s card. The A’s starter, Dan Pfister, gets a Pitcher’s Die roll of an A and because Pfister has an Early rating of C, Fernandez has a single. Runner on 1st.

CF Bill Bruton rolls 4-3, 1-3 – a DFO2, so that is a long drive to RF. We have to check for a possible HR. The Tiger Stadium ball park card shows a +5 mod for deep flies to RF. We check the pitcher’s mod versus lefties and that is a 0. Since the wind is blowing L to R at a rate of 2, that will boost the ball and add 1 to the deep fly calculation (crosswinds apply a 50 percent effect of the wind velocity to the crosswind tally). So the Deep Fly Check rating is a 6 – a HR rating of 2 means a pretty good chance of the ball getting out of there. Needed a die roll of 2 or higher for the HR, and roll comes up a 9, so that is a long, deep drive to RF – home run!

Kaline, the next batter up, gets a 1-3, 5-6 – an LF1, which is a fly out to CF. One out.

Rocky Colavito draws a 5-3, 3-0 – an SN1-gb. Pfister blocks it with a roll of 3E, and so gets an LF2 – fly out to RF.

Norm Cash gets a 5-1, 9-1 – an SN3. Pitcher’s Die roll comes up R, so we have a range play. The SN3 is hit to RF, and Gino Cimoli’s fielding rating is a 4 – not good. We go back to the green-red dice roll and read a 19 result – a < 3(BP # 4) on the Range Check chart. I like to use ball park effects, so I ignore the < 3 result and read the BP result. I check the ball park chart column for singles/NFBs/GBs and see that a 4 is an OUT result. But because I also like to use Optional Fielder Effects, I have to take Cimoli’s fielding rating into consideration. He’s a 4, which translates to a -2 on the ball park result -- 4 becomes a 2 and that OUT into a SINGLE. So Cash has a single because Cimoli couldn’t get to the ball quickly enough.

The next batter is Dick McAuliffe. He draws a 4-4, 0-1 – the red die of 0 means there could be an error on this play. McAuliffe’s 4-4 comes up K (0), so we check Pfister’s K columns versus a LHB and we get an RG3 result – couldn’t get the strike out and in fact it’s a fielding play. To get the grounder’s location, we reference the green 1 since the red die is a 0 – a 3B\*. We look at the initial 4-4 result and check the third baseman’s error rating – Ed Charles is a 13. The error chart result for a 13 fielder is a 33(4), but we have to check the result just above that – a 34(4) – to see whether Charles muffed the play – anything lower than the 34 (4) is a made play. Since 44 is higher than 34, we have a one-base error (if the green die had been a 0, too, it would have been a 2-base throwing error). We roll the red die again and get an 8, which on the Advanced Errors Infielders chart means Charles threw over the second baseman’s head trying to get the force. The E5 means we have runners on 1st and 2nd with 2 out.

Steve Boros steps up to the plate and gets a 1-1, 3-7 – a BB (3). Pfister’s BB column versus a RHB gives an RG2 result – an SS\* result on the GB2 column with runner in scoring position. Because of the \* in the result, the SS fields the ball and throws to 2nd base for the force out. Three down. A’s lead 4-2 after 1 inning.

TOP OF THE SECOND

Pfister has his own hitting card (the second line of a pitcher’s card will list “HIT: Card” if the pitcher has his own card; otherwise pitchers use a generic hitting card) and he gets a 4-3, 5-8 – an LO2 with a 5 is a lineout to SS. One out.

Tartabull gets a 2-5, 6-3 – an SN1. Foytack’s Pitcher’s Die roll of -3 (a blank) gives Tartabull a single. Runner on 1st.

Let’s see whether Tartabull can steal 2nd. Since I prefer using the Auto Steal chart, I take Tartabull’s SBF rating – a 3 – and add/subtract Foytack’s SBF rating – a -2 – and come up with a 1 to apply to the chart. Needed a red die roll of 2 or less to get the auto steal and rolled a 3, so Tartabull stays at 1st. If I’d decided to use the game’s standard Jump chart – say I wanted to call all steals instead of letting the die call them -- the “1” would have yielded an 11-35 white-black dice chance of getting the jump and then proceeding to the Steal chart.

Charles gets a 3-2, 4-4 – an SN1. The 44 is less than Charles’ Hit Range number of 70, so Foytack could block the hit. He rolls the Pitcher’s Die and gets a 3E – an NF2 comes up a fly out to CF. Two out. Tartabull stays at 1st.

Lumpe gets a 1-4, 8-2 roll – an SN2. Foytack once again gets a 3E on the Pitcher’s Die – an LF3 with an 8 results in a fly out to LF for an LHB. Three out.

BOTTOM OF THE 2nd

Tigers C Dick Brown leads off – 5-1, 7-0 – a K (-1), which on Pfister’s card is a blank – a strikeout. One down.

Pitcher Paul Foytack has his own hitter’s card and he rolls a 1-4, 66 – a PU1 and with a 6 is a pop out to 2B. Two out.

Fernandez draws a 2-1, 2-0, which gives another K (-1) and a second strike out for Pfister. Inning over.

TOP OF THIRD

Siebern gets a 2-5, 0-9 – an SN3 and the 90 is way over his Hit Range number so it’s a single. The 0 means a possible error on the play, but the 25 on the original WBG dice roll does not cause an error. Runner on 1st.

Jimenez gets a 2-5, 3-5 – a K (0), which is an RG3 on Foytack’s K column versus an LHB. With Siebern on 1st, there’s a chance for a double play. The GB3 with a 3 yields a grounder to the SS. We look across at the RG DP Check chart. Jimenez is prime double play bait – he’s about as slow as a player can be in BSB with a running rate of C-, so we index that with the grounder to SS and see an auto DP result. Jimenez grounds into the twin killing. Two out.

Causey gets a 2-1, 9-3 – a DB2 and a possible double. Foytack rolls an A on the Pitcher’s Card, so Causey has a double.

Cimoli gets a 3-5, 3-9 – an SN2-gb, and because he got a 93 for a Hit Range number, it’s a single. The single to LF allows the Causey to score from 2nd.

Azcue runs up a 4-3, 1-0 – a K on his card and so a strike out to end the inning.

BOTTOM OF THE 3rd

Bruton leads off. 1-3, 9-9 yields a BB (-2). Pfister has a blank at -2, so that’s a lead-off walk.

Kaline also gets a BB (-2) on a 6-4, 3-5 dice roll. Two men on.

Colavito produces a 1-3, 4-9 – an SN1. But a glance at Rocky’s Hit Range numbers reveals a 77(85) versus RHP – he is terrible in the clutch. The GRD number of 94 is higher than that 85 in parentheses, so that’s a Special Situations Out – we go to the Miscellaneous Game Charts page of the tri-folds to the center-bottom area and roll the red die – a 5 gives an LF2, and the 4 location number gives a long fly to CF. A runner on 3rd would score automatically, but the runner on 2nd would have to be an A runner to advance. Bruton just happens to be an A, so he has a coaches’ decision to make. We go to the FB Base Advance Coaches Decision chart under the fly ball charts. CF Tartabull has an A arm, and when we index that with Bruton’s A run rating, we get a 4-9 range for a safe result if Bruton tried to go to 3rd. That’s a 60 percent safe chance, and the Tigers are trying to get back into this game, so let’s give it a try. Bad decision – the red die comes up a 1, so Bruton is out at 3rd on the assist from Tartabull. Score it a double play.

Cash’s second time at bat yields a 2-4, 2-6 – a DB3, but he doesn’t pass his Hit Range check. Pfister rolls an R on the pitcher’s die, so we have a range check. The DB3 on the 2 row is hit down the line to the RF. The 62 on the range chart gives a DNMP – did not make play, so Cash has a double. Runners on 2nd and 3rd.

McAuliffe digs in at the plate and gets a 2-3, 2-7 – a K (1), which on Pfister’s card is an HG3 ground out to SS. Inning over.

TOP OF THE 4th

Pfister is due up first, and he has a L2 Ftg Rating of 22. So I add up his fatigue level – he gets 6 points for his 3 innings completed and 7 points for all the hits, walks and error, then subtract 0.3 for the lone DP – so he’s at 12.7 and can go a bit further on the mound. I’ll let him hit. A 5-2, 6-5 yields an RG3, which translates to a groundout to 2B. One out.

Tartabull has 2 hits so far, and he gets a 3-2, 5-8 – a DB1, and his Hit Rating is 77, so that’s a double.

Charles, with a 6-6, 6-1, produces an NF1, a fly out to CF but no advance for Tartabull. Two out.

Lumpe gets a 2-1, 9-0 – an SN2, but Foytack gets a pitcher’s die roll of 1, an NF3 and a fly out to LF. Three out.

BOTTOM OF THE 4th

Boros gets a 3-2, 2-7 – a K (2) that yields an HG2 and a ground out to 3rd.

Brown draws a BB – a 5-2, 5-9 that yields a BB (-1) with Pfister having a blank at -1. Runner on 1st.

Foytack lays down a bunt and gets a 2-3, 1-3. He’s an Ex bunter, so the 23 on the Sacrifice Bunt Attempt table gives him a successful bunt with the green die of 3, meaning the pitcher fields the bunt. Brown advances to 2nd with 2 out.

Fernandez gets a 4-3, 6-9 – SN1-gb. That 96 on the Hit Range normally would be a good thing, but Fernandez is one of those hitters who have a Hit Rating in parentheses, and the 96 is higher that the rating, so he instead of a single he gets a Special Situations Out check, with a 0 die roll resulting in an HG3 – a ground out to the second baseman. The irony is that if Foytack had not gotten Brown to 2nd, that would have been a single. Instead, it’s three out.

TOP OF THE 5th

Siebern leads off – 4-4, 7-0 gets him a possible SN3, but the Pitcher’s Die roll is a 1, which translates into an NF3 on Foytack’s card. The red die 7 makes it a fly out to CF. One down.

Jimenez gets a 1-3, 1-7 – a PU2-SPH. With no one in scoring position, the PU2 applies, so Jimenez pops up to the 3B. Two out.

Causey draws a 5-6, 1-2 – a BB (3), which just make Foytack’s block for LHBs. The BB turns into an SG3 and a groundout to 3rd. Inning over.

BOTTOM OF THE 5TH

Bruton leads off with 2-4, 8-0 -- BB (3), so Pfister blocks it and gets an RG3 and a ground out to SS. One out.

Kaline next decides to spice things up – he gets a 3-1, 7-4, which is a DFH1. Pfister can’t block it – he rolls a -3. That’s a deep fly to LF. Ball park gives a +1, Pfister adds another 1, but the wind blowing L to R will subtract 1, so we take a 1 to the Deep Fly Check table. That’s a 4r, but the red die roll is a 2 (needed a 5 or higher), so it becomes a long fly out. Two down.

Next up, Colavito – 1-4, 3-1, which is a BB (1) and an SG2 on Pfister’s card – ground out to SS. Three out and inning over.

TOP OF THE 6th

I like to check pitcher fatigue levels as I get to the 6th, so I add up Foytack’s numbers and come up with 19.7 – still below his L2 Ftg rate of 22, but I’ll have to start looking out for him. A 1-2-3 inning would leave him still reliable.

First up is Cimoli – 5-2, 3-6, a DB2, but Foytack could block it. A -1 on the Pitcher’s Die won’t do that, as Foytack’s Hit Rating column has a BTR/LO1 at that number – with no one on base, we read the result to the left, so that will be a double and ticks Foytack’s fatigue level up to 20.7. But it’s good to see that Foytack bears down with runners on.

Azcue rolls a 4-3, 6-4 – a K, so he strikes out. Foytack Fatigue Watch hits 21.3.

Pfister also strikes out on a 3-3, 6-8 roll. Two out and the FFW is at 22.

Tartabull gets a 3-1, 3-0 – an NF1 and a fly out to RF. Foytack survives the inning, but will enter the next inning fatigued.

BOTTOM OF THE 6TH

Cash leads off with an SN-inf – a 4-1, 0-9, which also will require an error check. The green die 9 means to ball is hit to 3rd baseman Ed Charles – a 13 error rate, but the 4-1 is nowhere near high enough for an error on a hit, so Cash is on with an infield single.

McAuliffe steps up and a bunt would be in order, but he’s a Pr bunter – the worst, with only a 1 in 6 chance of laying down a good bunt. So he’ll hit away. Comes up a 4-5, 8-9 – NF3-SPH and a fly out to LF with no runner advance. One out.

Boros gets a 6-6, 1-7 – a straight-out walk. So two men on with 1 out.

Next up Brown is low-average and an RHB, and I’m thinking the Tigers might want to make a move here with 2 men on, so let’s bring in Vic Wertz to pinch hit. The only LHP the A’s have available is Danny McDevitt, who certainly shuts down LHBs, but I decide to leave Pfister in.

Roll for Wertz comes up 1-4, 0-0, an HBP/SN2 that Pfister fails to block – rolled an A – and because the red die is a 0, that will be an HBP and the bases are loaded.

Bubba Morton comes on to hit for the pitcher and gets a 6-5, 1-8 – a K (-3) and a much-needed strike out for Pfister. Two out.

Fernandez draws a 6-1, 5-5 – a BB (0) that Pfister cannot block, so the walk drives in a run.

Pfister’s fatigue level is up to 23 – that will be a 0 on the Fatigued Pitcher Chart only 1 chance in 10 of failing a check on a BB or SN, so I’ll let Pfister face one more batter.

Bruton gets a 6-2, 6-1 – a DFH2. Pfister had better get the Pitcher’s Die roll or this could get ugly. That roll comes up 3E, so it’s an LF3 – fly out to CF and the Tigers miss a great opportunity to take the lead. Three out.

TOP OF THE 7TH

RHP Ron Kline comes on to pitch for Detroit and will bat in the 8th spot, while Mike Roarke takes over the catching duties and will bat in the 9th spot.

Charles leads off with a double – 2-1, 0-9 – with no error on the hit.

Lumpe singles – 1-4, 1-7 – to LF with a cd chance for Charles. With an A run rating and Colavito’s B arm, that’s a 3-9 safe chance. Charles will try for it and there will be no throw – gotta try to keep Lumpe at 1st.

Siebern singles to RF – 1-1, 8-9 – and Lumpe goes to 3rd because he is a B runner.

Jimenez– 2-1, 7-0 – gets an SN2 result, which the pitcher could block. But Kline rolls a 1, and on his card that gives a PU2/BTR, and since there are runners on, it’s a single, scoring Lumpe.

The Tigers manager has seen enough of Kline, so he goes to the bullpen and brings in Ron Nischwitz, a lefty who gets a lot of groundball outs. Looking for the DP here.

Causey – 4-4, 8-9 – gets a K (2), which on Nischwitz’s card is an HG2 – grounded to the 3rd baseman. It’s a possible DP with a +9 chance range. However, the pivot man is McAuliffe, who has a 1 pivot rating, which will modify the die roll. Roll comes up 3 – a 4 with the mod and still within the DP range, so it’s a 5-4-3 DP. Two out and Siebern goes to 3rd.

Next up Cimoli, who gets a 6-6, 3-9 – ground out to SS. Inning over.

BOTTOM OF THE 7th

Pfister’s fatigue number is 23.7, which puts him on the -1 to -2 column on the Fatigued Pitcher chart, meaning that any block attempt of hits or walks must first pass a die roll – above 2 and he can block. Pfister does not get any boost from the temperature – if it been a few degrees cooler, he would have gotten a +2 on his fatigue level, putting at 24 sted of 22, or if the temp had been in the 90s he would have hit fatigue earlier. As it is Pfister will need some watching.

Kaline – 5-3, 3-0 – gets a K (-2) and a blank on the pitcher’s card, so he strikes out.

Colavito – 1-3, 5-3 – gets an SN1 and will test Pfister’s ability to block. The out to Kaline advanced Pfister’s fatigue level to 24.3, which puts him at -2 to -3 and a 0-4 range. Die roll comes up 6 so Pfister can try to block. PD comes up a 3E – LF2 and a fly out to CF.

Since Pfister has dodged 2 bullets, but with Cash coming up, it’s time to bring in the LHP Danny McDevitt.

Cash – 2-6, 4-6 – strikes out to end the inning. Good move, because if I’d left the righty Pfister in, it would have been a DFO2 and a chance at a HR.

TOP OF THE 8th

Azcue – 5-2, 8-4 – gets a K (1) that becomes an RG2 on Nischwitz’s card and a groundout to SS. One out.

McDevitt will hit and gets a 2-6, 3-2 – an SN1-gb on the generic LHB hitting card. Nischwitz blocks it with a 3E and an NF3 – fly out to CF. Two out.

Tartabull singles – 4-3, 8-2 yields an SN1 and a PD roll of -3 will not block. Runner on 1st.

Charles – 6-6, 4-3 – gets an infield single when Nischwitz again fails to block (A). Runners on 1st and 2nd.

Lumpe – 3-4, 8-4 – gets an SN1, but the Pitcher’s Die roll is a 1, so it’s blocked and becomes a PU2 and a pop out to second base. Inning over.

BOTTOM OF THE 8th

McAuliffe – 5-5, 1-4 – strikes out on a K (-3).

Boros – 1-4, 4-5 – gets a K(2) and a ground out to SS.

Pinch-hitter Don Buddin strikes out to end the inning.

TOP OF THE 9th

Tigers bring in Sam Jones to pitch.

Siebern – 1-3, 9-1 – gets a DFH2 that Jones’ -2 on the Pitcher’s die does not block – deep fly to CF. It’s a -6 at Tiger Stadium, with Jones having a 10 versus LHB, nets to a 4. Red die roll of 9 is a HR, and the A’s just cannot be stopped.

Jimenez – 2-1, 6-0 with a PD of -2 – raps a single.

Causey – 6-2, 2-0 – gets a K(2) and a block of HG3 – a DP to the SS. Two out.

Cimoli – 2-2, 4-1 – strikes out on a straight-up K.

BOTTOM OF THE 9th

Mike Roarke – 1-6, 9-6 – grounds out to 3rd.

Fernandez – 6-6, 7-1 – gets a DFH1, but McDevitt blocks him with a PD roll of 1 and an NF2 that is a fly out to CF. Two out.

Bruton – 3-5, 9-6 – gets a DFL2, but the red die roll of 9 (needed a roll of 2 or less to get the deep fly check) flips it to an LF4 and a fly out to LF. Three down.

Game over. To see the box score, visit the 1962 replay.