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This report explores baseball performance data, emphasizing hitter tendencies and their interactions with pitcher sequences. Using a combination of **Python (Matplotlib)**, **Tableau**, and **SQL**, it identifies key patterns such as hitter success rates based on pitch locations, batting averages in various counts, and overall performance metrics. The analysis highlights notable trends and outcomes, providing a data-driven perspective on hitter performance. Accompanied by detailed visuals and documentation, the full codebase is available on **GitHub** for further exploration.

### First, we have Caulfield's stats:

Batter	games	plate_appearances	hits	at_bats	walks	strikeouts	singles	doubles	triples	homeruns	batting_average	on_base_percentage	slugging
Caulfield, Garen	15	53	15	41	10	9	8	2	1	4	0.366	0.509	0.756

The table summarizes the performance of Caulfield, Garen, across 15 games. Key statistics include a **batting average of 0.366**, **on-base percentage of 0.509**, and **slugging percentage of 0.756**, highlighting the player's exceptional ability to get on base and hit for power. Notably, the player recorded 4 home runs and 10 walks in 53 plate appearances.

Notably Caulfield hit 0.571 against Lefties with a slugging percentage of 1.571.

### Now here is the stats when facing a RHP:

Batter	plate_appearances	hits	at_bats	walks	strikeouts	singles	doubles	triples	homeruns	batting_average	on_base_percentage	slugging
Caulfield, Garen	44	11	34	8	8	7	1	1	2	0.324	0.477	0.588

#### **VS LHP**

Batter	plate_appearances	hits	at_bats	walks	strikeouts	singles	doubles	triples	homeruns	batting_average	on_base_percentage	slugging
Caulfield, Garen	9	4	7	2	1	1	1	0	2	0.571	0.667	1.571

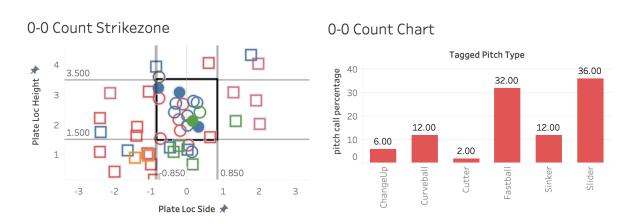
**Important note:** Some data points were marked as NULL in the dataset, which may result in minor discrepancies or incomplete insights in the analysis.



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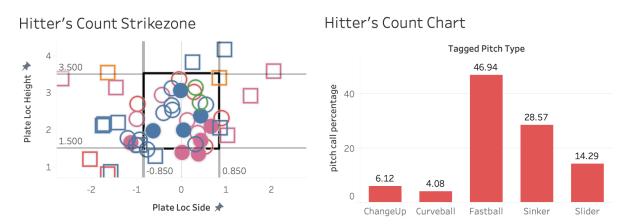
These graphs were made with Tableau:

The tableau offers more detail like pitch call, play result, exit speed, and KorBB.



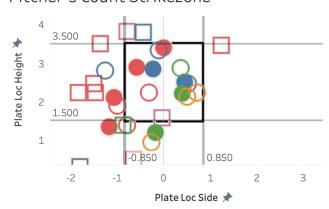


Caulfield performed well when jumping on first pitch fastballs, recording a single and a triple. Curveballs also resulted in a double. On first pitch, Caulfield seems to receive **offspeed pitches** about **50%** of the time.

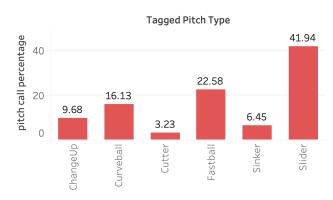


Against fastballs in hitter-friendly counts, Caulfield secured a single. Over **74%** of the time the pitcher is throwing **non-offspeed pitches**, which can be expected during a hitters count. Although only one hit is recorded here, exit velocity is consistently above **90 mph** and some hitting **100+ mph**, so overall these are still very good AB's.



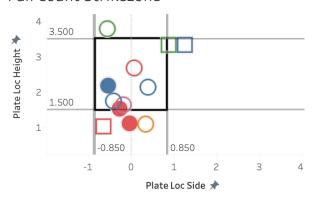


#### Pitcher's Count Chart

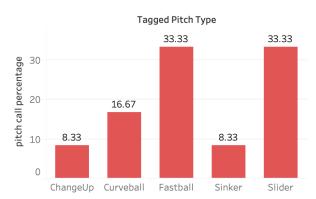


In disadvantageous counts, Caulfield excelled against sliders, managing three singles. He also found success against fastballs and curveballs, with a single and two home runs combined, despite the pitchers having the upper hand. We see that an off-speed pitch is thrown around 66% of time in these counts, which is also expected.

#### Full Count Strikezone



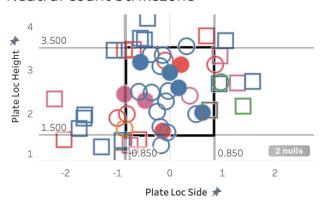
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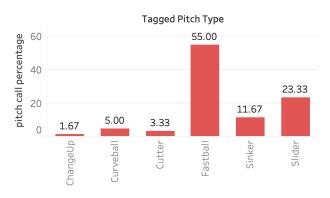
**Offspeed pitching** was the primary challenge in full counts coming in over **57%** of the time, but Caulfield managed a single and a double against sliders. He did not record any hits against other pitches in these high-pressure situations.



Neutral Count Strikezone



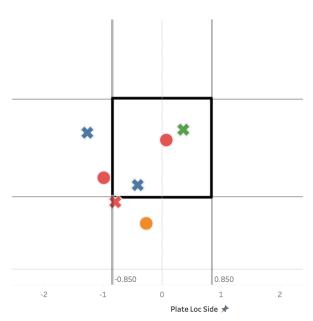
**Neutral Count Chart** 



Surprisingly a **fastball** was thrown **55%** of the time in neutral counts. Caulfield took advantage of this by hitting a homerun and a single. He also had another home run against a sinker in a neutral count. Possibly something to keep in mind when in these counts (1-0, 0-1, 1-1), since the chance of something fast is high.



### **Strikeout Data:**

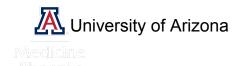




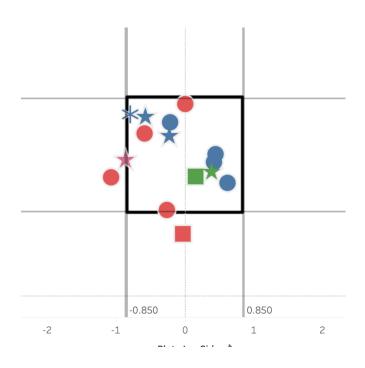
This visualization highlights Caulfield's strikeout trends, including pitch locations and types.

Notably, 4 out of 7 strikeouts were looking, while 3 out of 7 were against sliders. However, the data does not indicate a consistent pattern of chasing specific pitches, suggesting that these strikeouts may stem more from effective pitch placement or situational factors rather than a clear weakness in approach to any particular pitch type.

Important Note: 2 strikeouts are missing from this plot because of NULL data.



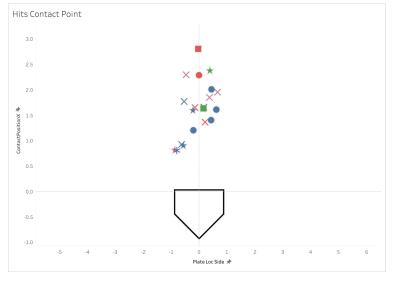
#### Hit Data:





Caulfield's hits predominantly come from pitches within the strike zone, showcasing exceptional plate discipline and contact ability. With an average **exit speed** exceeding **100 mph**, his offensive performance is both powerful and consistent. Notably, **7 of his 15 hits** were against **fastballs** 2 of which being home runs, and he effectively capitalized on off-speed pitches left elevated in the zone. His success against left-handed pitchers, as highlighted earlier, further underscores his

well-rounded offensive capabilities.

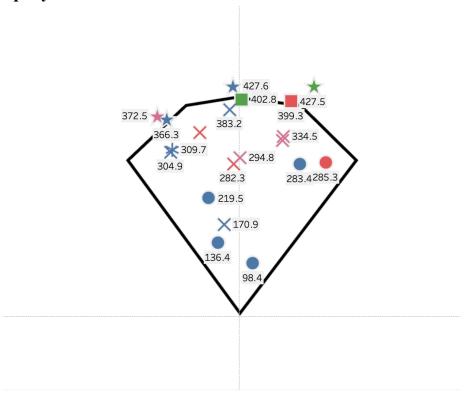


**Hits Contact Point** 



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# **Spray Chart**

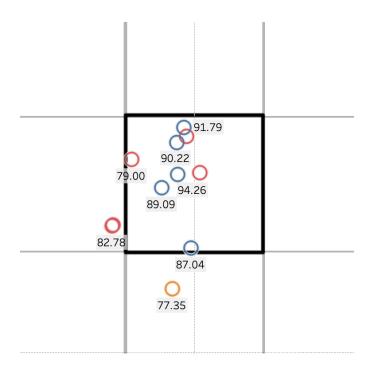


This spray chart provides a visualization of Caulfield's hitting distribution, highlighting his ability to effectively drive the ball to all areas of the field. The data reflects his well-rounded approach at the plate, demonstrating his capability to adjust to different pitch types and directions, making him a versatile and impactful hitter.



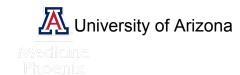
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Swing and Miss Data:



Pitch Type	Swings		Chase %
ChangeUp	1.0	100.0	100.0
Curveball	3.0	0.0	33.33
Cutter	0.0	nan	nan
Fastball	19.0	26.32	0.0
Sinker	7.0	0.0	57.14
Slider	13.0	38.46	38.46

The strike zone chart highlights the **whiffs**, showing limited swinging outside the zone. **Whiff rates** are generally low, with the **Slider** having the highest at 38%, excluding the **ChangeUp**, since it had only one recorded swing. The numbers within the circles are the pitch speed.



### **Summary of Garen Caulfield's Hitting Performance**

This report analyzes the performance of **Garen Caulfield**, focusing on his hitting tendencies and pitcher matchups across various situations. Key insights include his **batting average of .366**, **on-base percentage of .509**, and **slugging percentage of .756**, highlighting his elite hitting capabilities, with **4 home runs** and **10 walks** in **53 plate appearances**.

Caulfield excelled against **left-handed pitchers**, batting **.571** with a **slugging percentage of 1.571**. He performed well on **first-pitch fastballs** and capitalized on **hitter-friendly counts**, often producing high exit velocities exceeding **100 mph**. In disadvantageous counts, he found success against sliders, curveballs, and fastballs, showcasing adaptability. His **strikeout trends** indicate 4 of 7 were looking, with no clear pattern of weakness against specific pitch types.

The **spray chart** reflects his ability to hit to all fields, and his **swing-and-miss data** shows limited swinging outside the zone, with the **slider having the highest whiff rate (38%)**. This analysis provides actionable insights into Caulfield's strengths and areas for improvement, valuable for strategic decision-making.