EAT ELECTRIC DEATH!

"To boldly blow up stuff where no one has blown up stuff before!"

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Introduction

In the 22nd century, Terran colony ships were programmed to search for earthlike planets along trajectories calculated to visit stars with the best likelihood of habitable worlds. One such ship with its crew and passengers in cryostasis traveled over 2300 light years before a suitable planet was found

Hope is a temperate world located in the Glory system on the edge of a vast nebula often referred to as the Purple Void. The nebula is unique in that it contains many unusual star types and other peculiar phenomena...

It is the year 4594, over 100 years since the colonists first arrived. A new era of deep space exploration has begun. Technology has improved and mankind is no longer dependent on slow cryoships and robot probes. Yet, just as the galaxy seems to open up to the eager Terran upstarts, they soon learn --the hard way-- that they are not alone.

This is the setting of EAT ELECTRIC DEATH!

Overview

EAT ELECTRIC DEATH! is a space battle game based on the combat system from the computer games, Weird Worlds: Return to Infinite Space and Strange Adventures in Infinite Space.

The game is played on a hex board. One hex equals an area of approximately 250 meters in diameter. One game turn equals about $20\ \text{seconds}.$

Components

Board

A 19 x 13 hex mapboard that represents, scenario by scenario, different portions of a disputed area of space located near the coreward border of Terran "Sector Prime."

- 7 Alien race reference cards
- 35 Ship reference cards
 1 Battlestation reference card
- 14 Secret Weapon cards

- 60 Ships
- 1 Battlestation
- 42 Damage counters 20 Shield counters
- 6 Repair counters 12 Asteroids
- 2 Cloak counters
- 1 Zorg ambassador
- 2 Dummy Zorg ambassadors 2 Wormholes

Pouch

To aid choosing damage counters randomly

Two 10-sided dice

Ship Reference Cards

Each ship card displays a picture of the ship and lists its name, its class, its identification number (if it is larger than a fighter and there are multiple ships of the same class), its weapons, its special systems and its stats: movement speed, hits and total shield strength.

For each specific weapon, the card displays its firing arcs, range and an attack value along with an illustration of the weapon type.

Weapons with "beam" in their name are beam weapons and do system damage in beams-only attacks. Weapons with "gun" or "cannon" in their name shoot projectiles. Weapons with "rocket" or "missile" in their name fire missiles which can be shot down by point defense.

Carrier and battlestation reference cards have fighter bays indicated by a circled number with an arrow or arrows and an illustration indicating the type of fighters housed in the fighter bay. The number indicates the number of fighters it may launch. The arrows indicate the direction fighters must initially move. See the Fighter Bays rules section below for more details.

[See info sheet: Ship Cards]

There are four firing arcs: forward, backward, left and right. They represent the direction and area limitation of fire. Note that fire arcs overlap along the edges.

[See info sheet: Firing Arcs]

Each weapon on board a ship fires once per turn in one or more of these directions. For example the Terran corvette can fire its neptunium railgun to the left or forward, and its impaler missiles can fire to the right or forward. Weapon ranges vary from one hex away (point blank range) to seven (long range).

Besides weapon, movement speed and special systems information, ship reference cards also indicate the numbers of various counters associated with it (hits, shield, repair -- and fighters in a fighter bay, if present).

For example, a ship begins the game with shield counters according to the shield strength indicated on the card. As it takes hits --damage from opponent weapon fire-- the shield counters are removed, one by one, until exhausted.

From that point on the starship or battlestation takes unprotected, unshielded, "hull hits," so damage counters are drawn and placed on or near the ship reference card. A ship is destroyed when the number of damage counters equals the "hits" value on the card.

Note that fighters have a "hits" value of 1, so they do not need individual reference cards. They are destroyed as soon as they take any damage.

Shield Counters

A starship or battlestation with a listed shield value begins the game with that number of shield counters on or near the ship card. When the ship takes a hit, one shield counter is removed from the card and discarded. Again, if the ship has no shields left, it will take damage (see below).

Damage Counters

When a starship or battlestation without any shield counters takes a hit, the player must draw a random damage counter and place it on or by the ship card in full view of all players.

The damage counters may either be a simple hit (represents hull damage) or may cause different kinds of special system damage (referred hereafter as ": hits") in addition to a hull hit. Less critical effects are more common

Once the number of damage counters equals the "hits" value on the card, the ship is destroyed. Note that the last damage counter (that would automatically destroy the ship anyway) is always drawn because a "reactor blows" event is possible and may affect nearby ships.

For example, if a ship has a hits value of three and has accumulated two damage counters then the next hit it takes will destroy it, but may also blow its reactor, whereupon the "reactor blows" rules are applied.

Note that attacks are simultaneous, so the effects of the damage (including the possible destruction of a ship and the "reactor blows" event) are only applied AFTER all ships on both sides have fired their weapons during an attack phase. You may wish to temporarily stack newly acquired damage counters in a separate pile on or near the appropriate ship reference card.

To make it easier to keep track of ships that have been destroyed but have yet to fire, turn the ship counter over. Each counter has a ship silhouette on the back side to indicate its facing.

Once the attack phase is over, all destroyed ship counters are removed.

List of damage counters:

Hull hit

20x HIT

- only count toward the destruction of the ship

System hit

4x WEAPONS DISABLED - the ship is unable to use weapons during the next attack phase 4x THRUSTERS DOWN - the ship is unable to move during its next movement phase 4x -1 MOVE - reduce the ship's movement points by one

- as above but reduces movement by two 2x -2 MOVE

4x -1 ATTACK

- reduces the attack value of each weapon on board the ship by one 2x -2 ATTACK - reduces the attack value of each weapon on board by two

2x REACTOR BLOWS - the ship is destroyed, explosion damages neighboring ships

WEAPONS DISABLED is placed face up on the ship card as normal. During the following attack phase (after the one that caused this damage), the ship cannot fire any weapons and this damage counter is turned face down. From this point on, the damage counter is counted as a hull hit.

Note that a WEAPONS DISABLED status means that point defense weapons are disabled during the following turn as well.

THRUSTERS DOWN works the same way, except its effect comes into play during the following movement phase. Rather than moving the ship, the player turns over the counter. After that, the damage counter is treated as a hull hit.

If a ship receives more than one WEAPONS DISABLED or THRUSTERS DOWN damage counter during the same turn, it is still only affected for one turn, however, system hits are always counted as persisting hull hits.

Note that system hit damage effect modifiers (-1, -2, etc.) on damage counters are cumulative. (-1 + -2 = -3, etc.)

Also note that while movement may be reduced to 0 by effect modifiers, weapons always have a minimum attack value of 1.

REACTOR BLOWS destroys the ship. In addition, each ship in an adjacent space takes one hit (loses one shield, or takes one damage counter if shields are gone). If this happens during the combat phase the explosion occurs after all ships have fired. If this happens during the movement phase (by ramming) the explosion occurs immediately.

Repair Counters

Some ships can perform "damage control" by expending repair counters. Note the repair value listed on some ship cards. The ship begins the game with that number of repair counters assigned to its card. After the ship takes damage, the player may choose to repair it by removing both a repair counter and one damage counter from the ship card.

Note that repair counters can repair "system hits." Repair counters cannot, however, repair shields or prevent a reactor from blowing.

Repairs can be done at any time except during the attack phase. If the ship is destroyed during an attack phase, it cannot be repaired.

If a ship is being rammed by more than one opponent ship, it may be repaired "between rams" if possible (if it possesses repair counters).

Note that ramming is considered a singular action, so a ship may not be repaired if destroyed by a single ram.

Standard Setup

- 1. Choose a scenario, and decide which side --which race or races-- each player wants to play.
- 2. Players decide whether or not to use Secret Weapon cards. If so, each player randomly chooses one card (in an alliance game, each side draws one card) and places it on the table, face-up.
- 3. Set up the board with the green-shaded area toward the "good guys" player(s) (Terran, Zorg, Klakar and Moon Marauder) and the red-shaded area toward the "bad guys" player(s) (Garthan, Urluquai, Tan Ru and Yellow Kawangi).
- 4. Take the appropriate alien race and ship reference cards, and the ship counters, as allowed by the scenario.
- 5. When a carrier or battlestation is included in a scenario, place the indicated number of fighters assumed to be in its fighter bay on the appropriate carrier or battlestation reference card.
- 6. Place the indicated number of shield and repair counters on or near the appropriate ship reference cards.
- 7. Place the wormhole counter(s) and the battlestation counter if indicated by a
- 8. Each player, or side, rolls one die. The player with the highest die roll will a) place the first asteroid, b) place all of his or her ships first on the board and c) begin the turn sequence as player A.
- 9. Place asteroids according to the asteroid rules below unless a scenario states not to do so.
- 10. Place the "good guys" ships anywhere within the green zone and the "bad guys" ships anywhere within the red zone.
- 11. Prepare to fight! Begin the turn sequence.

Turn Sequence

- 1a. Player A Movement Phase
- 1b. Simultaneous Attack Phase Player A fires first 2a. Player B Movement Phase
- 2b. Simultaneous Attack Phase Player B fires first
- 3. Rinse and repeat

Movement Phase

Basic Movement Rules

Movement speeds of ships range from one to six spaces per turn based on their

Movement Factor Ship Type

0 stationary structures (battlestation) very large, slow starships common starships (corvette, frigate) fast starships (for example, the Garthan corvette) certain starships possessing an ion impulse thruster common fighters fast fighters

During his movement phase, a player moves his ships one at a time. Each ship may use movement points up to the number indicated by the speed value listed on its card. A ship may remain stationary and not move, or use only a portion of its movement points if the player wishes. Unused movement points are not accrued from turn to turn.

For each point of movement, the ship may (a) turn one facing AND (b) move one space. This is called a movement sequence.

Note that the turn is always executed first, then the movement. So, after each movement point is spent, the ship points in the direction it moved.

A movement point may be spent to move only (one hex), or turn only (one hex side), but in either case the movement point is used up.

For example, a ship with two movement points could maneuver like this during its movement sequence:

- 1. Turn left (1a)
- 2. Move forward (1b)
- 3. Turn right (2a)
 4. Move forward (2b)
- Or like this:
- 1. Turn left (1a)
- 3. Move forward (2b)

However, this is not allowed:

- 1. Move forward (1b)
- 2. Move forward (2b)
- 3. Turn right (3a)

Note that a ship must finish its moving sequence completely before another ship may be moved.

A starship may never end movement so as to occupy a space that contains another starship, asteroid, wormhole, battlestation or cloak marker. Starships and fighters may not enter a hex that contains an asteroid.

A starship which attempts to enter a hex that contains another starship is considered to be ramming its opponent. See ramming rules below.

If any ship enters a hex containing a wormhole, it is considered to be navigating through the wormhole to travel instantly to another hex on the board. See the wormhole rules below.

Note that fighters may "fly over" starships, a battlestation, a cloak marker or each other, and starships may pass "below" a fighter or cloak marker, but again, no ship may end its movement in an already-occupied hex. These are "move through

Ramming

Ramming occurs whenever a starship (fighters may not ram or be rammed) attempts to "move into" a space already occupied by another starship. The ramming ship actually remains in the space it is ramming from and its movement ends.

When ramming occurs each ship takes TWO hits. If either ship is "ram-hardened" it will only take one hit. System hit effects take place immediately.

Note that ships move -- and thus, ram-- one at a time.

Fighter Bays

Carrier and battlestation fighter bays displayed on the ship card show a number that indicates how many fighters it contains and, in effect, the total number of fighters launched from that carrier or battlestation that may be on the board at any given time. The fighter counters "in the bay" may be stacked on the appropriate carrier or battlestation reference card until deployed.

During the movement phase the player can launch any and all fighters stored on his carrier or battle station.

When launching, the fighter begins its movement in the same space as the carrier, facing the direction of the fighter bay "launch arrow." The fighter begins its movement by moving forward one space (costs one movement point), and then moves normally.

Note that while fighters must launch from a carrier in the forward direction, the battlestation can launch fighters in any of the six hex side directions.

A carrier may launch a fighter, move and then launch another fighter, etc., but remember that each ship may only be moved once per turn.

When a carrier or battlestation-based fighter is destroyed, it is returned to the appropriate fighter bay (place it back on the appropriate ship reference card) and can be launched again during a subsequent movement phase.

Teleporting Fighters

Zorg fighter pilots have the mental ability to fold space and instantly travel short distances. A Zorg fighter can choose to teleport instead of moving normally during its movement phase. The fighter has unlimited teleport range and may be moved to any unoccupied hex the player chooses but it retains its former orientation (facing).

Cloaking Ships

When cloaked, a ship may not attack or be attacked.

A ship equipped with a cloaking device begins the game cloaked so it is not placed on the board during setup. Instead, the player who owns the ship may "uncloak" the ship and place it in any unoccupied hex in any orientation on the board later in the game during his or her movement phase. This action expends its movement points for that movement phase.

When a ship cloaks, it is removed from the board and a cloak marker is placed in the space it was in. Cloaking occurs after the ship has uncloaked or moved, and doesn't cost movement points.

Uncloaking a ship counts as movement; you cannot uncloak and move the ship during the same movement phase. A ship that begins its movement phase uncloaked may move normally.

A cloaked ship with a cloak marker may uncloak during its movement phase, and must be placed within a number of spaces from the cloak marker depending on its speed (movement point number).

Note that if a cloaked ship cannot uncloak anywhere else, it will return to the same space as the cloak marker, so, no ship may end its movement in the same space as a cloak marker.

Also note that if a ship with a cloaking device cannot move due to damage effects it may not cloak.

Attack Phase

During the attack phase, each player may do any number of "attacks" as allowed by the weapons on board his ships. Each weapon may only fire once per attack phase.

The player who just moved attacks first if any opponent ships are within weapon range. Since combat is considered to be simultaneous, the attacks may be performed in any order. Successful attack results only take effect after the entire attack phase is complete.

The moving player resolves all attacks before any opponents resolve attacks.

Targeting

When attacking, the player first designates which ships are firing at which target, and the weapons used. The target must be within the range and within the firing arc area of each weapon used in the attack.

Multiple weapons (even on multiple ships) can be used in a combined attack against a single target as long as they are all capable of hitting it; or they can all attack individually if desired. In any case, each weapon can only fire once per attack phase. (See the "combined attack" section below for more details.)

Note that some weapons are limited in what they can target. Fission missiles cannot be used to attack fighters. The particle vortex cannon and nova cannon α cannot be used in a combined weapon attack.

Attack Roll

The attack roll is simply a roll of the ten-sided die. If the resulting number is equal to or less than the attack value of a single weapon or combined weapon attack then the attack succeeds and the targeted enemy takes one hit. The opponent draws one damage counter randomly and places it on or near the affected ship reference card.

If the attack value is ten or higher, you score an automatic hit for each ten points, then roll the die for the remainder.

For example, an entire small fleet firing on a single enemy could have the combined attack value of 25. The target will automatically receive two hits. Then the die is rolled and if the result is five or less the target will take a

Taking Hits

When a ship takes a hit, a number of things can occur:

- 1. If the ship has any shield counters on its card, one of them is removed.
- 2. If there are no shields but the ship can survive a hit, draw a damage counter. 3. If there are no shields, and the ship has accrued enough damage counters so that the hit would destroy it, then the ship is eliminated. (A last damage counter is still drawn. A "reactor blows" result is still possible.)

Important! If the attack consists only of beam weapons (not combined with projectiles or missiles), the ship taking damage must draw a "system hit" damage counter. In this case, if you draw a counter that only reads "HIT" you must discard it and re-draw until you get a damage counter that lists a system damage effect.

Note that fighters only have one hit. One successful attack will destroy a fighter. Fighters therefore do not accrue hit counters. Do not draw a damage counter to check for a "reactor blows" result in this case.

Combined Attack

When a single target is attacked by multiple weapons in a combined attack, the weapon attack values are added together and a single die is rolled.

For example, if a Terran corvette with a neptunium railgun (attack 3) and an impaler missile (attack 2) and a Terran fighter with a neptunium railgun (attack decide to combine all their weapons against a single target, it becomes a single attack value of 8.

You can combine any number of valid shots into any number of attack rolls as long as each weapon only fires once.

For example, an Urluquai player may want to separate weapon shots into a missiles-only attack and a beams-only attack (for the system damage effect). If you're lucky, the more attack rolls = the more damage you could do (but the odds may get worse).

Note that some weapons (Nova Cannon, Particle Vortex Cannon) may not be used in

Point Defense

Some weapons (for example, the neptunium railgun) can be used to defend a ship against incoming missiles when the enemy ship firing them is within the point defense weapon's firing arc. In this case, the point defense weapon's range is

Each weapon marked as "point defense" (PD abbreviation) on the ship reference card may be used to negate one incoming missile attack of the defender's choosing per attack phase.

In the case of combined attacks, this simply reduces the combined attack value by the missile's attack value.

Note that using a weapon for point defense does not prevent it from being used

Also note that only the ship being targeted by missiles can use the point

Example 1: A Muktian* corvette with a Fission missile (attack value 4) and a Cone Cannon (attack value 3) attacks a Terran Corvette. The combined attack value (7) is reduced to 3 (just the Cone Cannon) because the Terran Corvette has a point defense weapon.

Example 2: The same Muktian corvette combines its attacks with another one that is further away and can only use its Fission missile. The total attack value is now 11, but the Terran point defense shoots down one of the two missiles and reduces the attack value to 7.

* The slug-like Muktians ARE an official Weird Worlds alien race but only appear in this example to tantalize you.

Self-Destruction

During an attack phase but before any ships fire, each player can decide to self-destruct one or more of his starships. (Fighters may not self-destruct.) The effects of this action are the same as the "reactor blows" damage counter, with the exception that the self-destructing ship is removed immediately and not allowed to fire during this attack phase. Damage to neighboring ships takes effect after the combat phase as usual.

Either (or both) players may elect to self-destruct ships during an attack phase.

Special/Advanced Rules

Asteroids

Asteroids are standard space terrain and are included in all scenarios unless otherwise stated. An asteroid takes up one hex and acts as both an obstacle and cover.

Asteroids are placed on the map before ships. The player with the highest die roll during setup places the first asteroid anywhere on the map. Then, moving in a clockwise direction around the table, each player in turn places an asteroid until all twelve asteroids have been placed.

An asteroid may not be placed within or adjacent to the flotilla starting areas, a space adjacent to a previously placed asteroid, a wormhole or as defined by a scenario. An asteroid may not be placed on a lettered hex if the hex is used in a scenario.

An asteroid can be destroyed using a special attack roll. This action counts as an attack. Roll two dice and add them together. If the sum is equal or less than the attack value of single or combined weapon attack, the asteroid is obliterated.

Asteroids may not be rammed.

An asteroid may also be destroyed by a nova cannon. See the nova cannon rules for

An asteroid is the only object in the game that may block an attacker's line of sight. When a ship is in a space adjacent to an asteroid, it cannot attack or be attacked by ships on the other side. The area on the other side that is affected is a "strip" three spaces wide in the direction away from the ship.

[See info sheet: Asteroid Line of Sight - The Terran Corvette (circled, near the bottom) is adjacent to an asteroid, and thus hidden from enemies within an area three spaces wide extending from the other side of the asteroid (shown in gray). The two circled ships cannot see each other or fire at each other.]

Fission Missile

A fission missile may not be used to attack a fighter.

Micrometeorite Gun

If the range to an opponent is 2, the Micrometeorite Gun attack value is 3. If the range to an opponent is 1, the Micrometeorite Gun attack value is 6.

Particle Vortex Cannon

A particle vortex cannon attacks all enemy ships within its range and unique area of effect.

[See info sheet: PVC Area of Effect]

The PVC fires along a straight line to a distance of 7 hexes (note the arrow), and attacks each enemy ship within an area that extends two spaces to each side of that line.

The Tan Ru player (or any player possessing the particle vortex cannon prototype) rolls a die for each of the ships within this area (circled) and hits, doing damage, if the die roll is 5 or less.

Note that when firing a PVC you may pick any straight line within its firing arc, so a forward-firing PVC (present on a Tan Ru Decimator, for example) may fire either straight ahead or 60 degrees to either side.

The PVC attack may not be combined with other weapons to attack.

Also note that the PVC may not be used to destroy asteroids.

Yellow Kawangi

When the Yellow Kawangi ship is destroyed, the massive shockwave will damage nearby ships. Use the same rules as the "reactor blows" damage counter.

Nova Cannon

The nova cannon attack value equals 7 minus the speed of the adversary ship being attacked. It does three hits of damage if it hits!

A nova cannon may target fighters.

It cannot be used in a combined attack with other weapons.

A nova cannon may also be used to destroy asteroids during an attack phase. In this case, a roll of 7 or less is successful, whereupon the asteroid is removed from the board at the end of the attack phase.

Destroying an asteroid counts as an attack. A nova cannon may not attempt to destroy an asteroid and fire at an enemy ship during the same attack phase.

Wormholes

Two wormhole markers may be placed on the board and used as entrances/exits to instantaneously "teleport" any ship from one wormhole to the other. Placement of wormholes is defined by a scenario. (Though players are encouraged to devise their own scenarios.)

A ship may pass through (over) a wormhole hex normally or enter the wormhole.

A ship may only end its movement on a wormhole hex if

- 1. the player intends to use the wormhole.
- 2. it is not blocked.

Upon entering a wormhole hex (origin), the ship must immediately be placed in any hex adjacent to the opposite wormhole (destination) facing directly away from the wormhole. The moving player must choose which empty hex to place the ship in. It may never occupy the destination wormhole hex.

In the unlikely event that all six hexes around a destination wormhole are occupied by space objects (ships, asteroids, etc.), the wormhole is considered to be blocked. Ships may only pass through the origin wormhole hex and may not enter the wormhole itself or end movement there.

Note that wormholes do not affect line of sight.

Secret Weapon Cards

If players agree, "secret weapon" cards may be used to spice up the game. Secret weapon cards represent technologies researched, discovered as artifacts or stolen by the various alien races in the game.

Before a game session begins, each player or side draws one random secret weapon card. It is always displayed face up so all players may see it.

Some secret weapon cards are assigned to a specific ship by the player (place the secret weapon card near the appropriate ship reference card), some need

not be, depending on the effects of the secret weapon.

Secret weapon instructions and effects are listed on each secret weapon card.

Alliances

In games with more than two players, alliances should be formed such that the battle only has two sides. The players on the same side then move their ships during the same movement phase and attack during the same attack phase.

Scenarios

SECTOR PRIME: THE WAR FOR INFINITE SPACE

After unknowingly entering the Garthan "red zone," Terran starships began to encounter alien beings bent on the enslavement and/or destruction of humankind:

The lizardlike Garthans and their ways of slavery and pain; the malevolent Urluquai who feed on fear and death; the mindless Tan Ru, pure circuitry and singular in their purpose to sterilize the life-infested galaxy.

However, allies were encountered as well. Many strange races from far flung stars exist in peace, eager to preserve freedom in galaxy:

The proud Klakar and their ancient rituals of commerce with all friendly races; the metaphysically psionic Zorg in their timeless pursuit of harmony and oneness with all beings and all things; the neutrals, the mysterious Moon Maiden and her Moon Marauder being one of them, always willing to fight for a mutually beneficial cause.

And the xenophobic Muktians, hiding in their caves, not appearing in this game.

And so, peace would reign but for the terrible motivations and warlike ambitions of those who would lord over others rather than share the prosperity of all. Inevitably, perhaps, these forces met violently in what has become known as the War for Infinite Space.

HEAD-ON BATTLES

This series of scenarios represent the major events of the war and help to teach the rules of the game step by step. However, feel free to play any or all of them in any order that suits you.

Victory conditions are simple. Destroy all opposing forces to win. You must have at least one surviving ship to do so. If both forces/sides are somehow simultaneously destroyed, the result is a draw.

Use the standard setup rules for all numbered scenarios except scenario 9, "Ambush at Tiamat."

Terran-Garthan Campaign

While exploring the fringes of Monstro, an enormous black hole, the Argosy, a Terran science and survey ship, sent a troubling distress call: a garbled warning about being attacked. The Argosy was never heard from again.

And so, having blundered into the Garthan "red zone," Terrans come face to face with alien enemies for the first time.

The Terrans soon discover Garthans to be brutal if single-minded warriors in space combat. The Garthans discover that Terran ships are as thin-skinned as the Terrans themselves. They also discover that humans, when they will not behave as lowly slaves, are delicious.

Scenario 1: "First Contact"

It all starts here. A Terran recon sortie meets a Garthan "talon patrol." Threats are issued but neither race understands the other's language. So, weapon systems are activated and hijinx ensue.

Terran

3 Fighters

Garthan

3 Fighters

+ Introduces basics: movement, combat, combined attacks Scenario 2: "Red Zone Run" The Moon Maiden is smuggling contraband for notorious gangster Lextor Mucron when her ship, Moon Marauder, is ambushed by a talon patrol. Moon Marauder Garthan 3 Fighters + Introduces SHIELD and MICROMETEORITE GUN rules Scenario 3: "Skirmish at Achernar" The transfer point at Achernar, a vital strategic hub, must be defended at all costs. Both sides wish to build a battlestation there but, as the Garthans say, there can be only one. Terran 2 Corvettes 3 Fighters 2 Corvettes 3 Fighters + Introduces RAM and POINT DEFENSE rules Scenario 4: "Birds of a Feather"

This battle will seal the Terran-Klakar alliance and could become known as one of the great fender benders of the war.

Terran-Klakar Alliance

Terran Frigate Klakar Frigate

Garthan

3 Corvettes

+ Introduces REPAIR and BEAM WEAPON rules

Scenario 5: "Garthans Strike Back"

After a recent humiliating defeat, the revenge-crazed Garthans strike back with one of the prize ships in their fleet.

Terran

Frigate 2 Corvettes 3 Fighters

Garthar

Carrier (3 Fighters in fighter bay) 2 Corvettes

+ Introduces FIGHTER BAY rules

Zorg-Urluquai Campaign

Elsewhere, the tranquil Zorg race has encountered its worst alien nemesis. $\;$

From out of the depths of the Purple Void they come, the Urluquai, to disrupt peaceful contentment and replace serene contemplation with paranoia, blood curdling fear and death.

The Zorg are not unprepared, however. Their

martially-trained Star Guardians possess mental abilities far exceeding those of any other native race in the galaxy.

Scenario 6: "Here, There and Everywhere"

Urluquai Void Lords do not appreciate the marvel of mental teleportation, nor do they appreciate keeping track of annoying little ships flitting about.

Zorq

3 Fighters

Urluquai

Corvette

+ Introduces TELEPORT rules

Scenario 7: "Eat Electric Death"

Nobody, not even a Zorg precog-strategist, could have predicted just how big, how bad and how nasty an Urluquai carrier could be.

Zorg

Frigate Corvette 4 Fighters

Urluqua:

Carrier (6 fighters in fighter bay)

+ Introduces massive electric death!

Scenario 8: "It's a Trap!"

A Zorg frigate responds to a rendezvous signal, but where is the flotilla? Instead, a single Urluquai corvette awaits. Then, as the frigate moves into range for an easy kill, two more Urluquai vessels materialize.

Zorg

Frigate 6 Fighters

Urluquai

2 Deep Hunters Corvette

+ Introduces CLOAK rules

Scenario 9: "Ambush at Tiamat"

The Urluquai attack pattern known as the Circle of Death is well known and feared by now. Great measures are taken to detect and avoid it.

But not this time, cappy.

Zorg

Frigate 3 Corvettes

Urluquai

Deep Hunter 3 Corvettes 3 Fighters

The Zorg player sets up first placing ships anywhere within one hex of hex C at the center of the mapboard. Traditionally this type of area is called a megahex; one hex surrounded by six others

The Urluquai player places units (except the Deep Hunter which begins off of the board) in an encircling formation on hexes E, F, G, H, I and J around the Zorg units.

Use standard asteroid placement rules, except that placing asteroids in the center megahex (hex $\ensuremath{\text{C}}$ and the

hexes adjacent to it) is not allowed.

Scenario 10: "Battle for Orzant"

The Zorg desire Orzant as a perfect location for a combination orbital science outpost and spiritual retreat

The Urluquai desire it because a small planetoid orbits the star harboring lots of cute innocent lifeforms to terrify, torture and devour.

In fact, both know the strategic significance of this place, and so, one of the great battles of the war begins.

Zorg

- 2 Frigates
- 3 Corvettes
- 6 Fighters

Urluquai

Carrier (6 fighters in fighter bay) Deep Hunter 3 Corvettes

The Tan Ru Menace Campaign

Contrary to popular belief, conflicts between great races in space actually do make noise --strange reverberations in the aether that others may hear and respond to.

Sometimes this is a fortuitous thing, as when the Terrans were contacted by the proud Klakar, and peaceful trade and cooperation between the two races came to pass.

In other cases it has lead to dire consequences. The machine world, Quarnix, easily identified the tell-tale signatures of life this way, whereupon the Tan Ru "root" dispatched an entire fleet of preprogrammed sterilization vessels to eliminate the noisy infestation.

Eventually, the Terrans, the Klakar and newfound friends, the Zorg, would form the Free World Alliance and combine their space forces in a valiant attempt to repel the Tan Ru and end their dispassionate wanton destruction once and for all.

Scenario 11: "Incident at Incarnadine"

A small flotilla of Terran corvettes prowl the Incarnadine system, scanning for Garthan forces. Meanwhile, Tan Ru machine ships arrive to destroy the trio and scavenge the remains.

Terran

- 3 Corvettes
- 6 Fighters

ľan Ru

- 2 Demolishers
- 6 Drones

Scenario 12: "Resistance is Useless"

The plucky Terrans join forces with the proud Klakar once again to stop a death-dealing pack of Tan $\ensuremath{\text{Ru}}$ Demolishers.

Terran-Klakar Alliance

Klakar Frigate 2 Terran Corvettes 3 Terran Fighters

Tan Ru

4 Demolishers

Scenario 13: "Decimation"

Six fighters stranded on the far side of T'han G'har encounter a fearsome Tan Ru Decimator and face one of the most powerful weapons in the galaxy.

Terran

6 Fighters

Tan Ru

Decimator

+ Introduces PARTICLE VORTEX CANNON rules

Scenario 14: "Stop the Machines!"

Terran, Klakar and Zorg band together against a group of Tan Ru sterilization ships programmed to scour the border world of Thamber of all technology and life.

The Free World Alliance

Klakar Frigate Terran Frigate 2 Zorg Corvettes

Tan Ru

Decimator 2 Demolishers 6 Drones

Scenario 15: "Starship Graveyard"

The Tan Ru have finally discovered Sector Prime and its many noisy and infested worlds, each one waiting to be reduced to rubble and then plundered meticulously.

With no options left, and even though most forces are engaged elsewhere, the Free World Alliance must destroy the remnants of the Tan Ru fleet before any machine ships return to Quarnix and download details of this discovery to the root.

If this were to happen, more Tan Ru ships would come. In other words, it would be bad.

Klakar Frigate Moon Marauder Zorg Frigate 6 Zorg Fighters

Tan Ru

2 Decimators

4 Demolishers

6 Drones

This scenario is easily split up for a multiplayer alliance

Scenario 16: "Endgame: Battle for Sector Prime"

Eventually a turning point occurs and all great wars must end. A battle to end all battles is fought, victory becomes certain and, at last, the adversary is defeated.

The Free World Alliance faces this challenge, meeting the newly-formed Dark Consortium at full strength and head-on in a final, terrible conflict: the Battle for Sector Prime.

Yet, all know that the fates of five galactic races hang in the balance, and all know that many beings, all of them heroes, will die.

The Free World Alliance

Klakar Frigate 2 Terran Frigates 4 Terran Fighters Moon Marauder Zorg Frigate 2 Zorg Corvettes 4 Zorg Fighters

The Dark Consortium

Garthan Carrier (3 fighters in fighter bay) 2 Garthan Corvettes Urluquai Carrier (6 fighters in fighter bay) 2 Deep Hunters 2 Urluquai Corvettes

This scenario is easily split up for a multiplayer alliance

Scenario 17: "The Peril From Beyond"

Just when things have simmered down, unusually powerful delta wave emanations are detected originating from just beyond the Rim. Then, a single starship crosses the Fringe at superluminal speed, its course aimed straight at the heart of Sector Prime.

Insane technologically superior aliens from another galaxy have arrived to detonate stars for fuel and destroy everything in their path.

Again, entire civilizations face daunting peril and the possibility of destruction. Is there to be no rest for the battle weary? "Not yet," say the commanders. "The enemy is upon us and the time to act is now!"

"The Peril From Beyond vs. The Consortium"

Yellow Kawangi

Destroyer

The Dark Consortium

Garthan Carrier (3 fighters in fighter bay) Garthan Corvette Urluquai Corvette Deep Hunter

"The Peril From Beyond vs. The Free Alliance"

Yellow Kawangi

Destrover

The Free World Alliance

Klakar Frigate Terran Frigate Moon Marauder Zora Corvette

+ Introduces Nova Cannon

ADVENTURE SCENARIOS

These scenarios represent some of the more "colorful" events that occurred during the War for Infinite Space.

All game rules are used. Setup and victory conditions are stated in each scenario.

"Ace in the Hole"

Everyone knows that wormholes come in pairs, and such is the case near the mystic green star, Verdi. The difference here is that these particular wormholes are very close together, forming a very short tunnel through local space.

As fate would have it, the Terrans and the Garthans have simultaneously discovered this anomaly. A battle to control this subsector is inevitable.

Use the standard setup rules.

The two wormhole counters are placed diagonally opposite from each other on hexes A and B, each four hexes from the center of the mapboard.

Be sure to read the rules section about wormholes.

Terran-Klakar Alliance

Terran Frigate 4 Terran Fighters Klakar Frigate

Garthan

Carrier 2 Corvettes

Destroy all opposing forces to win. You must have at least one surviving ship to do so. If forces are somehow simultaneously destroyed, the result is a draw.

"Freak Wormhole"

The attackers seem to come from nowhere. No interstellar drive signatures are ever detected. After an assault, surviving alien ships retreat and vanish without a trace. What is going on?

A science ship is dispatched. (Why is it always the innocent science ships that get into trouble?) When it too disappears, the location of a wormhole is revealed --one that previously did not exist on official star charts.

Entering the wormhole would be foolhardy. Who knows where it might lead? $% \label{eq:control_entro$

However, its entrance into Sector Prime can be held by Terran forces until a way can be found to either utilize it or destabilize it and seal the portal forever.

Meanwhile, the last flotilla of alien attackers is speeding toward the hole in space. It's the Urluquai! They must be stopped! Valuable strategic information about Sector Prime must not fall into enemy hands...or tentacles, as the case may be.

Use the standard setup rules, however, asteroids are not used in this scenario.

Place one wormhole counter on the D hex, centered six hexes from the green (Terran) edge of the board.

Obviously, in this scenario Terran player may not "enter" the wormhole hex, though all ships may move through it as per the wormhole rules.

Terran

Frigate 2 Corvettes

Urluquai

3 Corvettes

The Urluquai player must exit the subsector by moving at least one ship onto the wormhole hex to win.

"Battlestation Alpha: Alien Assault"

In a calculated attempt to assert their directive and scavenge raw materials, Tan Ru machine-ships attack Battlestation Alpha.

If they had a dark and twisted sense of humor like the Urluquai, the Tan Ru might call this man-made structure "Infestation Alpha." But such puns are illogical and such machines cannot laugh.

Use the standard setup rules.

The Terran battle station is placed on the D hex, centered six hexes from the green (Terran) edge of the map.

Terran

Battlestation (6 fighters in fighter bay)

Tan Ru

3 Drones

4 Demolishers

The Tan Ru must destroy the battlestation to win, even if all Tan Ru ships are destroyed in the process.

"Smuggler's Run"

Moon Marauder, carrying an important shipment of Illudium Fosdex must, with the Terrans' help, cross and exit this subsector by moving from one edge of the mapboard to the

other (and off).

(Moon Maiden knows Smuggler's Run all too well. In fact, this is where she met, and made her first "arrangement" with, the Terran Space Patrol when Moon Marauder was once boarded and searched for illegal cargo.)

Meanwhile, Garthan corvettes appear and attack!

Use the standard setup rules.

Terran

3 Corvettes 6 Fighters Moon Marauder

Garthan

4 Corvettes

Garthan forces must destroy Moon Marauder (at all costs, including ship self-destruction) to win.

"Ambassador Pranja Must Die!"

The Urluquai seek to disrupt the Terran-Zorg alliance.

Use the standard setup rules.

The Zorg ambassador is in transit from Loryx (the Zorg homeworld) to Hope (the Terran homeworld), on board one of three Terran ships:

Frigate 2 Corvettes

The location of the Zorg ambassador is not initially divulged to the Urluquai player, who has these forces:

Deep Hunter

Terran player: Secretly place one ambassador counter (select the real ambassador or a dummy counter) face-down on each starship reference card in play. This represents the ambassador traveling on one starship while clever (?) decoys are being transported by the others.

Zorg Ambassador Pranja Cardboard Ambassador (dummy) Inflatable Ambassador (dummy)

The ambassador must cross the board and exit this subsector to reach Haven Station and attend a crucial diplomatic meeting on Hope. (The ambassador's ship must move off of the board in this manner.)

Each time a Terran ship is destroyed, the Terran player must reveal the face-down counter. If it is Ambassador Pranja, the game ends in an Urluquai victory.

"The Swarm"

Deep-dish hyperwave radar has detected four Tan Ru Demolishers traveling on a direct course to the Niven shipyards in orbit around the jungle world of Oo-Topos.

Terran and Zorg fighters are scrambled to thwart the incursion. Success is paramount! Destruction of the shipyards may herald a full scale Tan Ru sterilization of the world itself.

Use the standard setup rules.

Terran-Zorg Alliance

6 Terran Fighters 6 Zorg Fighters

Tan R

- 4 Demolishers
- 3 Drones

The Tan Ru must destroy all opposing forces and survive with at least one Demolisher remaining to win. If all Tan Ru Demolishers are eliminated, the Terran-Zorg player wins.

This scenario is easily split up for a multiplayer alliance $\ensuremath{\mathsf{game}}\xspace.$

Unit Details

The back side of each ship counter has a ship silhouette pointing in the same direction as its counterpart on the front side. When a ship is destroyed in combat, flip the counter over and retain the ship's original facing. This aids in keeping track of "destroyed" ships that have yet to fire.

#/Ship type	Speed	Hits	Shield	Weapons	Attack	Range	Fire arc	Special
Terran								
6 fighter	5	1	0	chaingun	3	2	f	
3 corvette	2	3	1	railgun impaler missile	3 2	2 5	f, l f, r	railgun may be used for point defense
2 frigate	2	4	1	fission missile railgun railgun	3 3 3	7 2 2	f, 1, r f, 1 f, r	fission missiles may not target fighters railguns may be used for point defense
1 Moon Marauder (scout)	3	3	1	micrometeorite gun	6/3	2	f, 1, r	see micrometeorite gun rules
1 battlestation	0	4	2	railgun railgun railgun railgun	3 3 3 3	2 2 2 2	f, l f, r rear, l rear, r	railguns may be used for point defense fighter bay (6 Fighters) Repair 1
 Garthan								
6 fighter	5	1	0	chaingun	3	2	f	
4 corvette	3	3	1	chaingun impaler missile	3 2	2 5	f, 1 f	ram-hardened
1 light carrier	2	4	1	impaler missile impaler missile	2 2	5 5	f f	fighter bay (3 fighters)
Tan Ru								
6 drone (fighter)	5	1	0	laser beam	2	2	f	
4 demolisher	2	3	1	laser beam laser beam micrometeorite gun	2 2 6/3	2 2 2	f f f	see micrometeorite gun rules
2 decimator	2	3	1	plasma beam plasma beam particle vortex cannon	3 3 5	2 2 7	f f f	see particle vortex cannon rules
 Zorg 								
6 fighter	6	1	0	plasma blaster	3	3	f	teleport
3 corvette	2	3	1	gauss cannon antichronon beam	2 3	5 4	f, 1 f, r	
2 frigate	2	4	1	gauss cannon gauss cannon antichronon beam	2 2 3	5 5 4	f, l f, r l, r, rear	
Urluquai								
6 fighter	5	1	0	lightning beam	2	2	f	
3 corvette	2	3	1	lightning beam fusion rocket	2 3	2 4	f, 1 f	
2 deep hunter	2	3	1	quark beam quark beam	3	3	f, 1 f	cloak
1 carrier	1	4	1	quark beam fusion rocket quark beam	3 3 3	3 4 3	f, l f rear	fighter bay (6 fighters)
Klakar								
1 frigate	2	4	1	proton beam proton beam fission missile	3 3 3	3 3 7	f, l f, r f	Repair 1 fission missiles may not target fighters

Yellow Kawangi

1 destroyer 1 5 2 nova cannon 7-speed 7 f see nova cannon rules disintegrator beam 4 4 f, 1 Repair 2 "reactor blows" when destroyed disintegrator beam 4 4 f, r "reactor blows" when destroyed disintegrator beam 4 4 rear, 1 disintegrator beam 4 4 rear, r

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