



Moderate Complexity

# Iron Ore: Grade Movement Model

**INPUTS**  
XPAC Plan  
OHP Grade Cutoffs  
Diggers Trains  
Fingers Stockpiles  
OHPs  
Database

**LOADING**  
XPAC PLAN  
(26728 / 26728 records)  
0 %  
complete  
100 %

**OUTPUTS**  
**run-time**  
Fingers Stockpiles  
**logs**  
Fingers log Stockpile log  
OHP Rehandle Statistics  
OHP Overall Rehandle Stats  
Train log Rake list  
**plots**  
Stockpile Plots  
OHP Rehandle Plots  
OHP Rehandle Percentages  
OHP 1 Fingers (CCDD) Plot  
OHP 1 Fingers (DCCD) Plot  
OHP 2 Fingers (CCDD) Plot  
OHP 2 Fingers (DCCD) Plot  
OHP 3 Fingers (CCDD) Plot  
OHP 3 Fingers (DCCD) Plot

model

Run



# Scope of Work

- Rob was contracted by mining company late in model development to finalise some key features of model development. Key features included:
  - Train generation
  - Information outputs



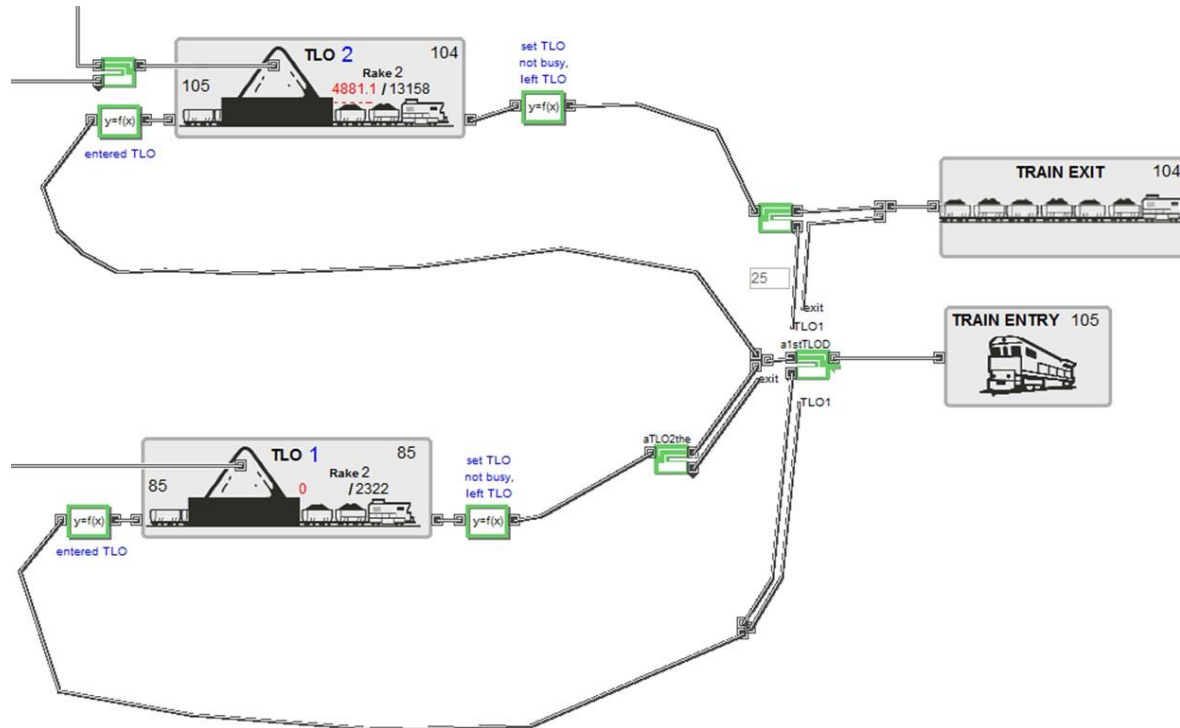
# Deliverables

- Train generation
  - **Train Loadout.** Requirement was to check that percentages of trains assigned to types 1 and 2 matched the desired routing, plus change model to impact how trains appear at train load-out (TLO). A percentage of trains would bypass TLO1 and go direct to TLO2, while a greater percentage would be loaded at both TLO1 and TLO2.
  - **Rake Size.** Additional table field for Tonnes per car, Cars per rake and Rakes per train. Rake size calculated during simulation initialisation based on tonnes per car and cars per rake.
  - **Train Log.** A log of trains was coded into the model to verify both existing code as well as new programming.



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- Train generation
  - **New pathways for trains.** Potential for alternate train routing testing was programmed into the model. Screenshot below shows pathway options for trains.





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  - **Train Log.** Developed and coded into the model, screenshot below.

Example of train log (test data only):

Record #	train id	train type	identifier	num rakes	TLO2 then TLO1	entered TLO1	t entered TLO1	t waiting after TLO2 (hrs)	left TLO1	t left TLO1	time spent TLO1 (hrs)	entered TLO2	t entered TLO2	t waiting after TLO1 (hrs)	left TLO2	t left TLO2	time spent TLO2 (hrs)
1	1	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			0.00			5.47	5.47		5.47	0.00		39.03	33.56
2	2	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			5.47			10.47	5.01		43.48	33.01		47.27	3.79
3	3	1	TLO bypass	2									39.03			43.48	4.46
4	4	1	TLO bypass	2									47.27			51.73	4.46
5	5	1	TLO bypass	2									51.73			56.19	4.46
6	6	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			51.73			53.74	2.01		56.19	2.46		59.98	3.79
7	7	1	TLO bypass	2									59.98			75.42	15.43
8	8	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			59.98			61.99	2.01		75.42	13.43		79.21	3.79
9	9	1	TLO bypass	2									79.21			83.66	4.46
10	10	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			79.21			81.21	2.01		83.66	2.45		87.45	3.79
11	11	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			81.21			83.66	2.45		91.91	8.25		95.70	3.79
12	12	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			83.66			91.91	8.25		95.70	3.79		99.49	3.79
13	13	1	TLO bypass	2									87.45			91.91	4.46
14	14	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			91.91			95.70	3.79		99.49	3.79		113.00	13.51
15	15	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			95.70			99.49	3.79		117.46	17.97		121.25	3.79
16	16	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			99.49			117.46	17.97		125.71	8.25		129.50	3.79
17	17	1	TLO bypass	2									113.00			117.46	4.46
18	18	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			117.46			125.71	8.25		133.95	8.25		148.54	14.59
19	19	1	TLO bypass	2									121.25			125.71	4.46
20	20	1	TLO bypass	2									129.50			133.95	4.46
21	21	1	TLO bypass	2									148.54			153.00	4.46
22	22	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			148.54			150.55	2.01		153.00	2.45		156.79	3.79
23	23	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			150.55			153.00	2.45		156.79	3.79		160.58	3.79
24	24	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			153.00			156.79	3.79		160.58	3.79		164.37	3.79
25	25	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			156.79			160.58	3.79		168.83	8.25		172.62	3.79
26	26	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			160.58			168.83	8.25		181.46	12.83		185.25	3.79
27	27	1	TLO bypass	2									164.37			168.83	4.46
28	28	1	TLO bypass	2									172.62			181.46	8.84
29	29	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			172.62			181.46	8.84		189.71	8.25		193.50	3.79
30	30	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			181.46			189.71	8.25		193.50	3.79		197.29	3.79
31	31	1	TLO bypass	2									185.25			189.71	4.46
32	32	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			189.71			193.50	3.79		197.29	3.79		201.08	3.79
33	33	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			193.50			197.29	3.79		215.68	18.39		219.47	3.79
34	34	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			197.29			215.68	18.39		223.92	8.25		227.71	3.79
35	35	1	TLO bypass	2									201.08			215.68	14.00
36	36	1	TLO bypass	2									219.47			223.92	4.46
37	37	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			219.47			223.92	4.46		232.17	8.25		235.96	3.79
38	38	1	TLO bypass	2									227.71			232.17	4.46
39	39	2	BL 15% TLO1 85% TLO2	2			227.71			232.17	4.46		235.96	3.79		239.75	3.79



# Deliverables

- Information outputs
  - Rake list.** Include time railed, tonnes, Fe, P, SO<sub>2</sub>, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, LOI.
  - Pre-crusher fingers.** Include lifecycle table, weighted average grade (WAG), plotters.
  - Post-crusher stockpiles.** Include lifecycle table, WAG, plotters.
  - Ore handling plant.** Include rehandle information, plotters.

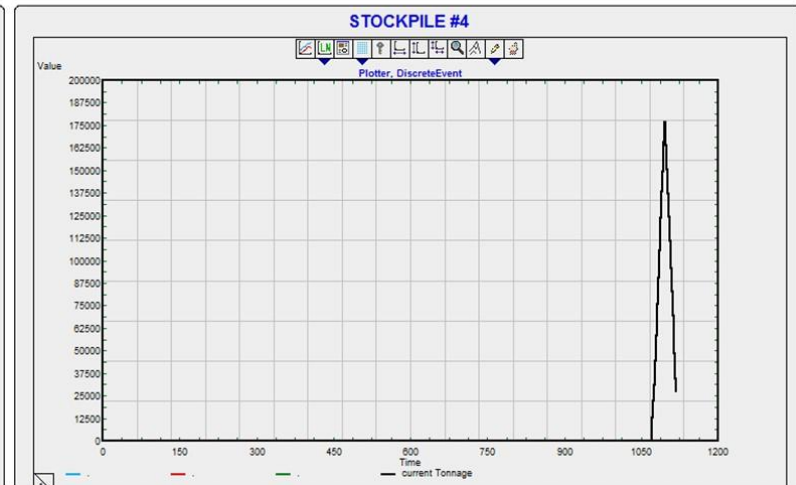
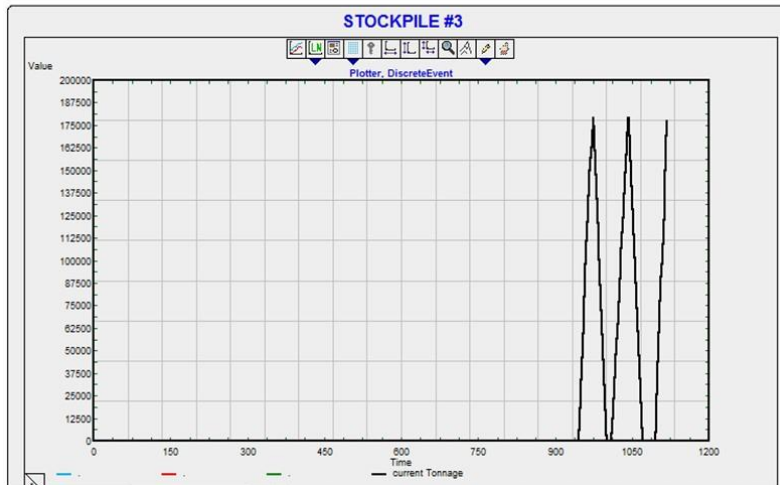
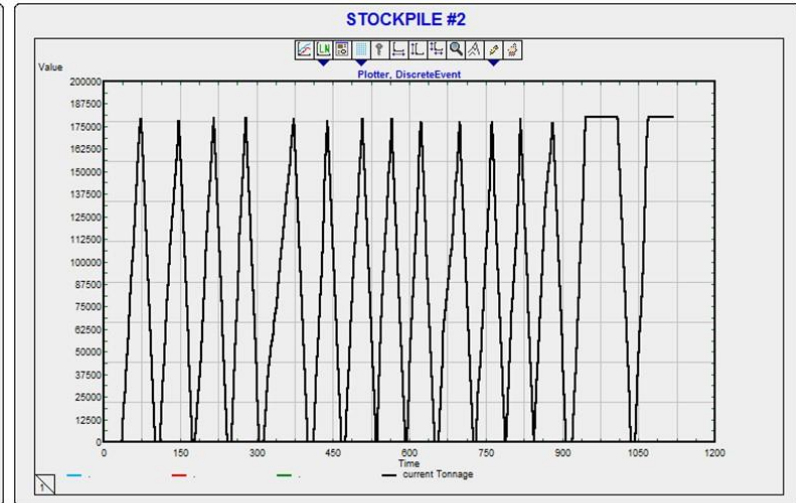
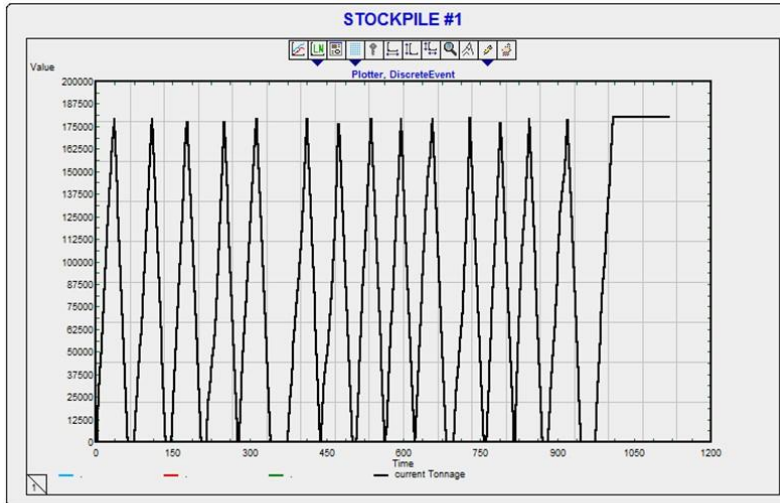
Example of pre-crusher fingers log (test data only):

Record #	log id	finger #	OHP	Quadrant	build #	current size (T)	build (Y/N)	reclaim (Y/N)	Fe %	P %	SiO <sub>2</sub> %	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> %	LOI %	Fe T	P T	SiO <sub>2</sub> T	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> T	LOI T	build start	build end	build duration (hr)	wait time for loader (hr)	reclaim start	reclaim end	reclaim duration (hr)	
1	1	25	OHP3	CCDD	1	0			57.53%	0.054%	4.79%	1.59%	10.85%	80873	82	7239	2407	16382	53.8	440.4	386.6	90.5	531.0	895.2	164.3	
2	2	1	OHP1	CCDD	1	0			58.25%	0.043%	4.62%	1.53%	10.26%	87958	65	6969	2314	15489	120.8	662.7	541.9	0.0	662.7	827.0	164.3	
3	3	7	OHP1	DCCD	1	0			57.85%	0.061%	4.76%	1.71%	10.68%	87047	92	7182	2580	16130	159.9	941.8	781.9	0.0	941.8	1106.0	164.3	
4	4	31	OHP3	DCCD	1	0			57.49%	0.059%	4.36%	1.76%	11.04%	86808	89	6578	2663	16668	220.2	365.6	145.5	0.0	365.6	529.9	164.3	
5	5	32	OHP3	DCCD	1	0			57.25%	0.053%	4.59%	1.79%	11.07%	86446	80	6935	2701	16717	368.0	461.3	95.2	235.0	696.3	880.5	164.3	
6	6	13	OHP2	CCDD	1	99000			55.96%	0.041%	7.39%	3.24%	8.71%	55398	41	7312	3205	8825	432.1							
7	7	28	OHP3	CCDD	1	0			57.44%	0.049%	5.03%	1.78%	10.53%	86732	75	7599	2686	15895	440.9	543.6	102.7	318.1	861.6	1025.9	164.3	
8	8	33	OHP3	DCCD	1	151000			56.20%	0.046%	5.88%	2.00%	11.18%	84858	70	8874	3013	16882	461.7	778.9	317.2					
9	9	19	OHP3	CCDD	1	32000			56.93%	0.041%	6.53%	1.83%	9.77%	85970	62	9896	2770	14751	544.0	671.4	127.4	355.6	1027.0			
10	10	27	OHP2	DCCD	1	5000			55.67%	0.033%	6.71%	3.18%	9.92%	84066	51	10137	4808	14978	660.4	998.5	338.1	0.0	998.5			
11	11	2	OHP1	CCDD	1	105000			57.60%	0.042%	6.21%	1.51%	9.47%	86974	64	9370	2279	14302	663.4	967.3	303.9	139.9	1107.1			
12	12	28	OHP3	CCDD	1	151000			56.85%	0.042%	6.36%	1.76%	10.03%	85836	63	9609	2659	15151	672.4	833.7	161.3					
13	13	31	OHP3	DCCD	2	151000			57.10%	0.046%	5.34%	1.73%	10.76%	86218	72	8067	2610	16248	779.4	971.8	192.4					
14	14	25	OHP3	CCDD	2	95000			56.33%	0.037%	6.97%	2.51%	9.29%	53511	35	6625	2384	8824	833.9							
15	15	8	OHP1	DCCD	1	56000			57.56%	0.039%	7.41%	1.26%	6.26%	32232	22	4152	716	4626	942.9							
16	16	1	OHP1	CCDD	2	110000			56.13%	0.042%	5.06%	1.45%	9.79%	63940	47	5566	1596	10770	968.3							
17	17	32	OHP3	DCCD	2	138000			56.24%	0.040%	9.06%	1.33%	8.85%	77613	56	12506	1837	12218	972.1							
18	18	20	OHP2	DCCD	1	125000			55.96%	0.031%	6.26%	3.25%	9.91%	69944	39	7819	4062	12389	998.9							



# Deliverables

Example of post-crusher stockpile plots (test data only):

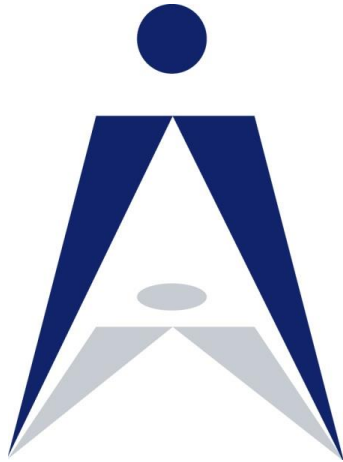




# So what?

- Insight Acumen was able to “parachute-in” late in modelling project to support the decision maker, continue model development and incorporate required features.
- Post-development, model was used by company analysts for testing various possible futures and stockpiling grade options – outcomes and ROI unknown.





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