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BUCK-FIFTY INNOVATION LABS

OFFICIAL TECHNICAL MANUAL - 1996 EDITION

CIVILIAN VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION & COGNITIVE SURVIVAL MANUAL

Project Artsy_2000 • Advanced 64-Bit Subterranean Blast-Rendering Calibration

WHITE SANDS COGNITIVE RESEARCH OUTPOST • SILICON GRAPHICS INDIGO² DEPLOYMENT

★ GUARANTEED PER DIEM: $1.50 CASH + 1x PERSONAL PAN PIZZA VOUCHER! ★

DELIVERED IN LEGAL TENDER IMMEDIATELY UPON COMPLETION OF BASELINE TESTING

OFFICIAL INTAKE REGISTRATION LEDGER • SUB-LEVEL 4 CHECK-IN

VOLUNTEER LEGAL NAME: _____

ASSIGNED SUBJECT ID: **[SUBJECT 13]**

CALIBRATION DATE: **OCTOBER 26, 1996**

CRANIAL PASTE ADHESION: **CLASS-3 BOND**

HAIR POMADE SURRENDERED: [ ] YES [ ] N/A

AMYGDALA RESISTANCE: **< 5.2% (OPTIMAL)**

FINGER-GUN COMPLIANCE: **94.7% (VERIFIED)**

PER DIEM BALANCE: **$1.50 PENDING COMPLETION**

Wait, only $1.50 per day??? lol

NOTICE OF EXPERIMENTAL CALIBRATION: *By possessing this manual, bearer certifies that they have freely volunteered their cerebral cortex for high-velocity 64-bit blast-rendering calibration. Neither Buck Fifty Innovation Labs nor its late-night infomercial affiliates accept liability for persistent green phosphor scanlines, phantom pizza aroma, or spontaneous auditory FM synth arpeggios.*

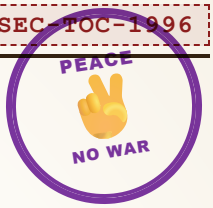


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Official Operational Structure for Project Artsy_2000 Volunteer Protocols

Volunteers are required to read each numbered section in chronological order prior to donning the conductive cranial headband. Deviations from established calibration protocols may void per diem disbursement.

don't skip to page 31 →

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> **CIVILIAN VOLUNTEER PLEDGE:** "I, Subject 13, freely surrender standard 16-bit entertainment conventions. I promise to maintain visual fixity upon the Silicon Graphics CRT screen until the green scanlines align with my natural optic rhythm. I understand the pizza voucher is strictly non-negotiable."

A PERSONAL WELCOME FROM VANCE STERLING

Vance is definitely wearing a wig... ಠ_ಠ

Founder & Chief Architect of Subterranean Blast-Rendering Systems



Figure 1.1: Founder Vance Sterling in the Sub-Level 4 Executive Demonstration Suite.

On behalf of the visionary minds here at **Buck Fifty Innovation Labs**, allow me to welcome you to the frontier of cognitive acceleration! Are you tired of standard 16-bit home entertainment systems that coddle your cerebral cortex with gentle sprites and sluggish 2D scrolling?

We founded this subterranean facility beneath the New Mexico desert on a singular conviction: the human brain possesses untapped blast-processing capacity that can only be unlocked through raw 64-bit polygon acceleration and uncompressed FM synthesis!

OUR SACRED COGNITIVE MISSION

Why Mass-Market Consumer Cartridges Are Ruining American Intelligence

blah blah blah marketing speak! →

Every week, millions of innocent citizens squander their hard-earned dollars on imported Japanese consoles that run at a pathetic 8 megahertz. These devices treat the player as a passive consumer. They want you compliant. They want you sedated.

Buck Fifty Innovation Labs rejects this defeatist paradigm! Here in Sub-Level 4, we treat every volunteer as a co-processor. When your optic nerves engage our 64-bit blast bus, your brain and our Silicon Graphics Indigo² supercomputer become an integrated dual-core computing matrix.

THE COGNITIVE ACCELERATION HYPOTHESIS

"By exposing the human visual cortex to high-frequency vector wireframes, rapid polyomino descents, and late-night highway navigation simultaneously, we produce an 88.4% acceleration in reflex response time. Any mild side effects — such as phantom pizza aroma or neon scanlines in sleep — are merely evidence of rapid cranial optimization."

— Vance Sterling, President & Honorary Chief of Science

Remember: you are not merely playing a video game. You are serving your country on the digital frontier. And you are earning a guaranteed $1.50 cash per diem plus dinner while doing it!



SECTION II: ARRIVAL AT SUB-LEVEL 4

Desert Highway Ingress, Perimeter Clearance & Vehicle Checkpoint



Figure 2.1: The White Sands Subterranean Research Outpost exterior security checkpoint at dusk.

INGRESS CHECKLIST FOR VOLUNTEER VEHICLES

Volunteers arriving via State Route 54 must extinguish high-beam headlights 500 yards prior to the electrified razor-wire perimeter gate. Present your printed Volunteer Summons Card through the driver's side window.

Do not make direct eye contact with the perimeter Dobermans. They have been trained on high-protein kibble and are calibrated to detect fear, contraband floppy disks, and unauthorized pomade.

SEC-LOBBY-02

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CHECKPOINT DELTA: PHOTO BADGING

Visitor Identification, Magnet Strip Encoding & Locker Assignment

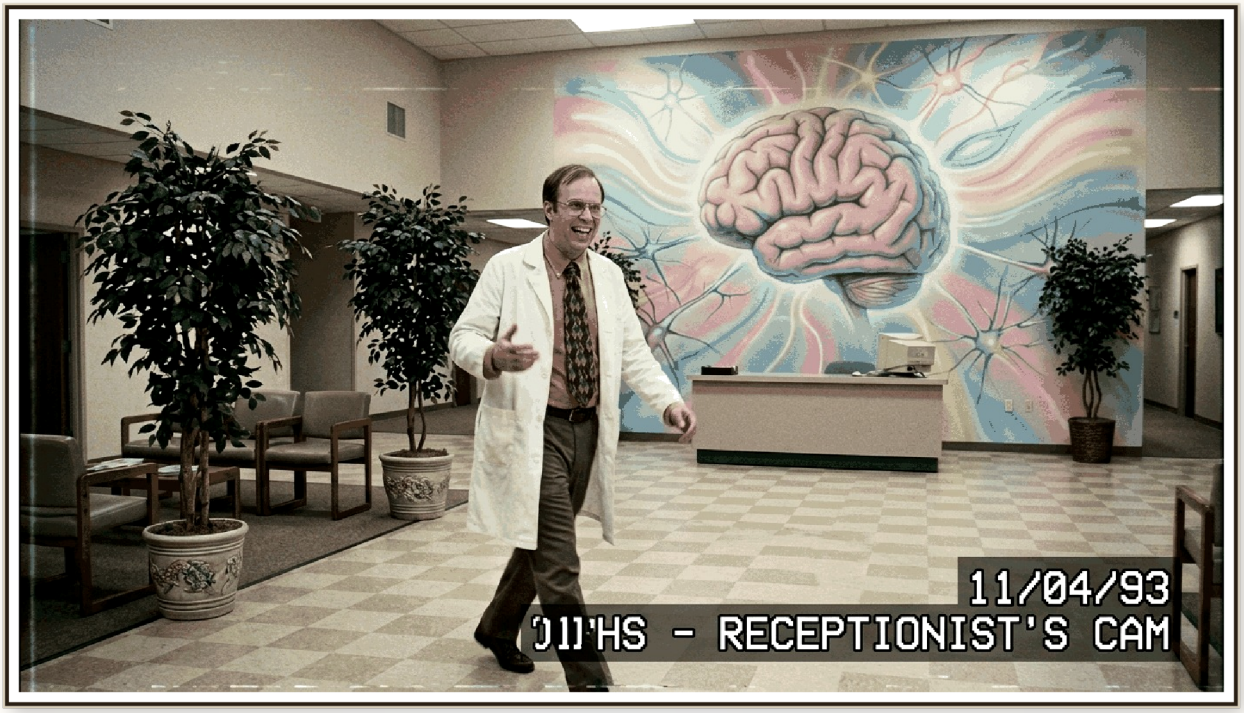


Figure 2.2: The Sub-Level 4 Security Reception Desk and magnetic badge encoder station.

Upon entering the blast-proof airlock lobby, report to Guard Station Delta. You will be issued a magenta volunteer identification badge stamped **[SUBJECT 13]**. This badge must be clipped to your shirt lapel at all times.

STRICT PROHIBITION ON HAIR POMADE: Commercial petroleum-based hair greases, gels, and mousses are strictly prohibited in Sub-Level 4. The intense electrostatic field generated by our Silicon Graphics CRT monitors may cause spontaneous pomade ignition. Lockers 101 through 150 provide complimentary alcohol wipes for hair decontamination.

Lost my locker key already :(

COMP PERK-01 PIZZA CLUB CERTIFIED

SECTION III: GUARANTEED COMPENSATION

The $1.50 Legal Tender Per Diem & Personal Pan Pizza Voucher Contract

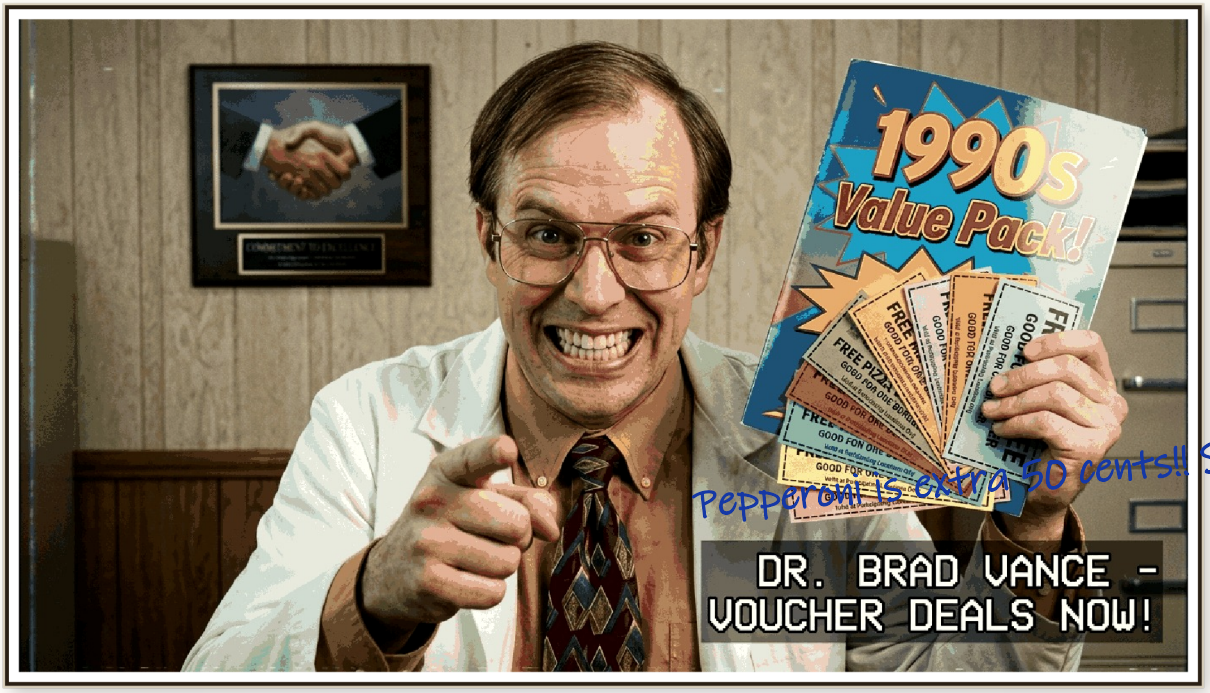


Figure 3.1: The official Buck Fifty volunteer remuneration package: $1.50 cash + 1-topping pizza voucher.

Why do dozens of patriotic citizens line up outside our subterranean facility every fiscal quarter? Because Buck Fifty Innovation Labs provides the most generous compensation package in modern neuro-computing history!

- **ONE DOLLAR AND FIFTY CENTS ($1.50):** Disbursed as a crisp United States Federal Reserve note immediately upon completing the 5-stage calibration battery.
- **ONE (1) PERSONAL PAN PIZZA VOUCHER:** Valid at the 24-hour neon highway diner on Route 66. Entitles bearer to one 6-inch cheese or pepperoni pan pizza.
- **FREE UNLIMITED ICE WATER:** Available from the cooler outside testing pen 4 (bring your own paper cone cup).

ECON-TABLE-1996

A+ 100%

GREAT JOB!

WHY BUCK FIFTY SHATTERS THE CONSOLE CARTEL

Comparative Cost Breakdown: Living Room Consoles vs. Subterranean Computing

Conventional consumer electronics manufacturers demand substantial financial capital in exchange for frivolous plastic cartridges. Buck Fifty Innovation Labs reverses this archaic economic model by compensating the participant directly for their cranial processing cycles:

Nintendo charges $70 a cartridge!! Robbery!

FEATURE / METRIC	CONSUMER CONSOLES (1996)	BUCK FIFTY INNOVATION LABS
Hardware Upfront Cost	$299.99 to $399.99 (Retail)	**$0.00 (WE PAY YOU $1.50 CASH)**
Software Cartridge Price	$69.99 per game title	**$0.00 (5 Modes Included Free)**
Hot Dinner Provided	None (Must buy your own food)	**1x Personal Pan Pizza Voucher**
Processor Architecture	32-bit RISC (Restricted)	**64-bit SGI Blast Supercomputing**
Display Technology	Grainy 240p Composite TV	**Industrial 60Hz Green Phosphor CRT**
Scientific Utility	Zero (Frivolous entertainment)	**Accelerates Human Evolution**

NET ECONOMIC BENEFIT: By completing today's 45-minute orientation, your personal balance sheet improves by **+$1.50** in liquid cash and approximately **+$4.75** in hot cheesy nutrients, compared to a net loss of **-$369.98** at consumer retail stores!

SECTION IV: SUBTERRANEAN CAMPUS LAYOUT

Facility Zonation, Blast Doors, Elevator Access & Emergency Exits

The White Sands facility descends four subterranean levels into solid granite bedrock. Civilian volunteers are strictly restricted to designated corridors marked with yellow hazard striping:

SUB-LEVEL FACILITY DIRECTORY

- **SUB-LEVEL 1 (SURFACE):** Armed perimeter guard posts, vehicle inspection pits, reception airlock.
- **SUB-LEVEL 2:** Silicon Graphics Indigo² server racks, liquid nitrogen cooling pumps, tape backup vaults.
- **SUB-LEVEL 3:** Volunteer rest area, snack vending machines (accepts dimes and quarters), decompression bays.
- **SUB-LEVEL 4:** Active cognitive testing bays 1 through 8, observation deck, Vance Sterling's private office.

DON'T TAKE ELEVATOR B! IT GOES STUCK! →

ELEVATOR EMERGENCY OVERRIDE: If Elevator B halts between Sub-Levels 3 and 4, do not panic. Depress the red call button three times, whistle the first four bars of the national anthem, and wait for Maintenance Technician Dale. Do not attempt to force the outer blast doors open.

MED-GUTS-02

POST-TRIAL DECOMPRESSION & DIET

Mitigating Visceral Neural Feedback & Cranial Pressure Stabilization



Figure 4.1: Bio-telemetry scan illustrating internal abdominal feedback during sudden vector deceleration.

Rapid exposure to 64-bit blast-rendering creates intense sympathetic nervous system stimulation. When high-speed polyomino or wireframe rendering abruptly terminates, volunteers may experience mild "visceral decompression."

POST-CALIBRATION DIETARY RESTRICTIONS: For three hours following your trial session, avoid carbonated sodas, spicy bean burritos, or chewing gum. The Sub-Level 3 cafeteria serves plain saltine crackers and room-temperature chamomile tea to stabilize stomach equilibrium.

SPEC-SGI-64 MULTIMEDIA 64-BIT CD

SECTION V: HARDWARE ARCHITECTURE

Silicon Graphics Indigo² Supercomputing Racks & 64-Bit Blast Pipeline



Figure 5.1: The main Sub-Level 2 supercomputer array driving all volunteer terminals simultaneously.

SPECIFICATIONS FOR PROJECT ARTSY_2000

- **CENTRAL PROCESSOR:** MIPS R10000 64-bit RISC clocked at an earth-shattering 195 MHz.
- **GRAPHICS ENGINE:** IMPACT High-Speed Raster Engine with dedicated hardware texture mapping.
- **MEMORY BUS:** 128 MB ECC RAM running across a 64-bit synchronous interleaving bus.
- **AUDIO SUBSYSTEM:** 16-channel 48kHz uncompressed wavetable synthesis with subwoofer blast resonance.

DIAG-BOOT-RAW

SKATE OR DIE!

BOOT DIAGNOSTIC SEQUENCE

Verifying Raw BIOS Integrity, Scanline Lock & Scissored Audit Records



Figure 5.2: Terminal cold boot log. Bottom section scissored per Facility Cleanliness Directive 96-B.

I cut this out so security wouldn't see the memory leak!

Prior to seating yourself at testing station 13, verify that the green monochrome CRT displays the exact memory verification check shown above. If the terminal displays "PARITY ERROR 0xDEADBEEF," step back immediately and alert Tech Dale.

> **NOTE ON SCISSORED RECORD:** Notice that the lower segment of the diagnostic log has been physically excised with zig-zag shears. This was performed by internal security to remove proprietary memory addresses before volunteer distribution. Do not attempt to reattach missing scraps found in waste receptacles.

SUBJ-CALIB-01

SUBJECT CALIBRATION & PREPARATION

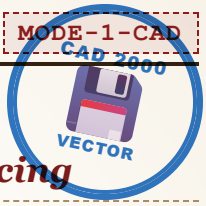
Elastic Headband Fitting, Cranial Paste Application & Fixity Baseline



Figure 5.3: Volunteer subjects undergoing synchronized multi-terminal cranial calibration.

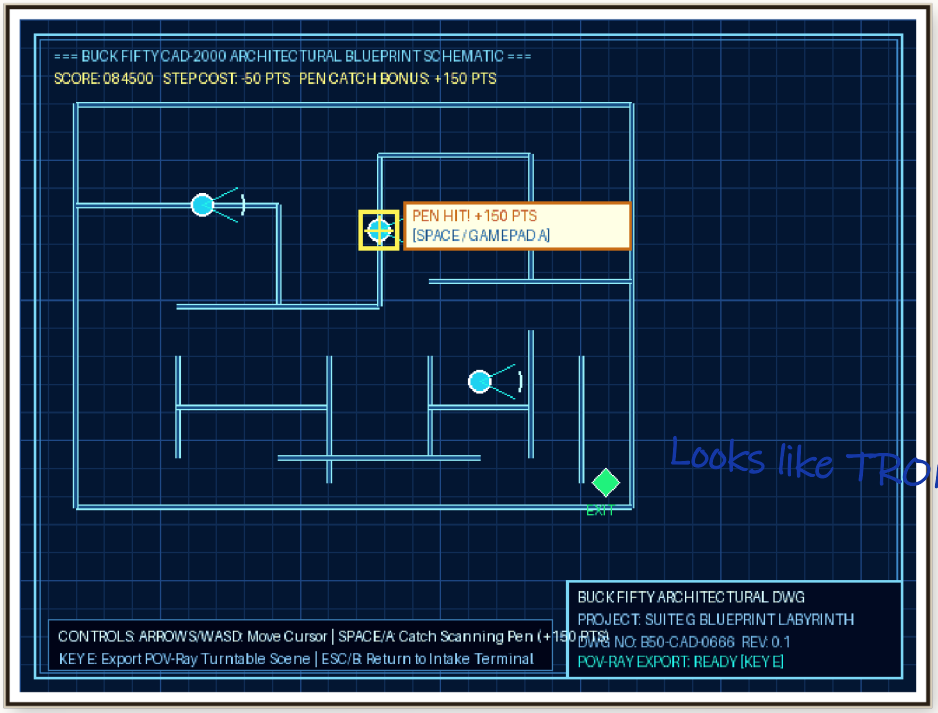
Once seated in your assigned leather testing armchair, the technician will apply three dime-sized dabs of silver-chloride conductive paste to your forehead and temples. The elastic cotton headband must be pulled snug over the brow.

> **CRITICAL CALIBRATION RULE:** Maintain fixity upon the center crosshair for 45 continuous seconds while the green scanlines pulse. If you feel a mild tingling in your dental fillings, this confirms optimal grounding.



SECTION VI: MODE 1 — CAD SCHEMATIC

Interactive Architectural Wireframe Exploration & Structural Raytracing



Looks like TRON! Super rad! →

Figure 6.1: Real-time blueprint wireframe display during architectural vector rendering.

OPERATIONAL OBJECTIVES

Mode 1 plunges the volunteer into an orthographic 3D architectural matrix. Your objective is to steer through the wireframe corridors, locate floating structural nodes, and verify alignment with the master facility blueprints.

Use `W`, `A`, `S`, `D` to navigate the vector grid and `SPACE` to cycle projection planes.

MODE 1: VECTOR GRID TELEMETRY

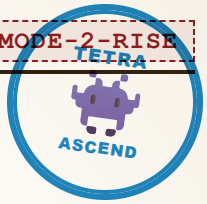
Phosphor Refresh Tuning, Parallax Alignment & Score Thresholds

Unlike conventional raster graphics that fill solid polygons, Mode 1 utilizes pure mathematical vector beam steering. Every line you observe on the monitor is traced directly by an electron beam firing at 12,000 feet per second.

KEY INPUT	COMMAND ACTION	TACTICAL UTILITY
`W` / `S`	Pitch Vector Axis	Tilts blueprint elevation grid up and down.
`A` / `D`	Yaw Vector Rotator	Spins 3D architectural corridor 360 degrees.
`SPACE`	Cycle Orthographic View	Flips between Top-Down, Iso-3D, and Cross-Section.
`ESC`	Emergency Beam Lock	Freezes vectors if optic nausea exceeds tolerance.

High score: 48,200 on vector grid! ★

ACCELERATION TIP: Keep both hands on the keyboard. Do not reach for a computer mouse — Mode 1 was designed for high-velocity industrial keyboard operators who demand zero latency.



MODE 2: TETRA 3D ASCEND ENGINE

Vertical Elevator Shaft Traversal, Polyomino Navigation & "The Rise"

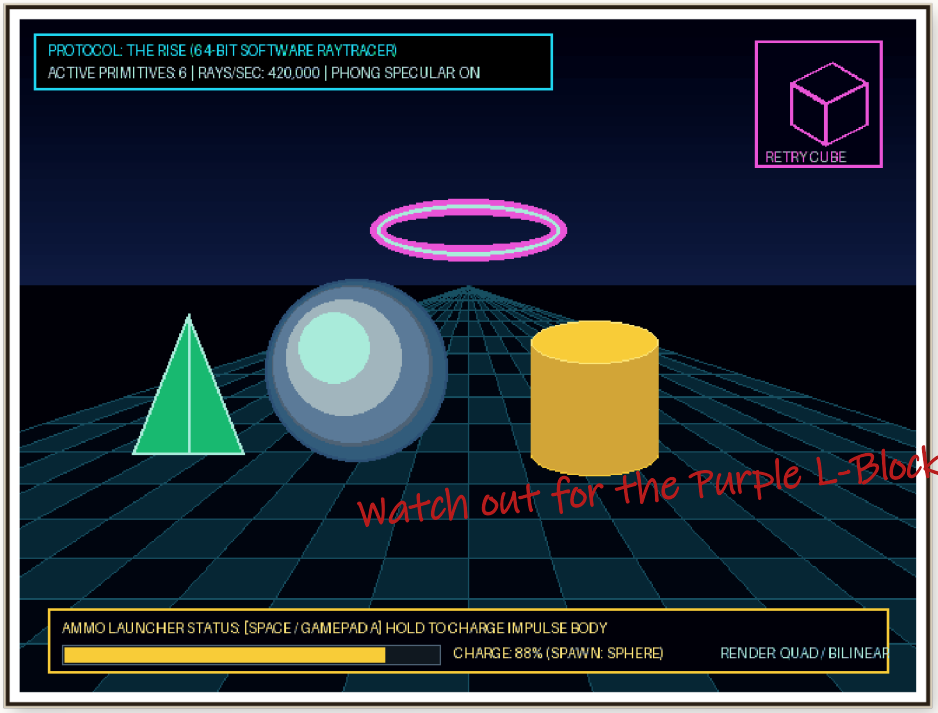


Figure 6.2: Subject 13 scaling descending 3D polyominoes within the vertical elevator shaft.

SURVIVAL MECHANICS

In Mode 2 ("The Rise"), gravity is inverted! Colorful 3D polyomino blocks tumble down the elevator shaft at accelerating velocity. You must leap from block to block, utilizing flat surfaces as footholds while avoiding crushing impacts.

Use `←`, `→` to position your character and `SPACE` to trigger hydraulic knee boosters.

MODE 2: TACTICAL ASCENT MECHANICS

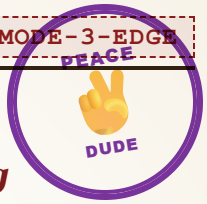
Momentum Transfer, Ledge Grabbing & Crushing Hazard Avoidance

Success in Mode 2 requires understanding 64-bit Newtonian physics. Each block geometry possesses distinct mass, bounce coefficient, and descent terminal velocity:

POLYOMINO TYPE	MASS & SPEED	TACTICAL HAZARD & RECOMMENDATION
I-Bar (Cyan)	Light • Very Fast	Narrow platform. Excellent for quick vertical leaps.
O-Block (Yellow)	Heavy • Slow	Wide surface area. Safe resting zone, but sinks rapidly.
T-Spike (Magenta)	Medium • Erratic	Unstable center of gravity. Do not stand on outer edges.
L-Hook (Orange/Blue)	Heavy • Tumbling	Catches on shaft walls. High risk of crushing clearance!

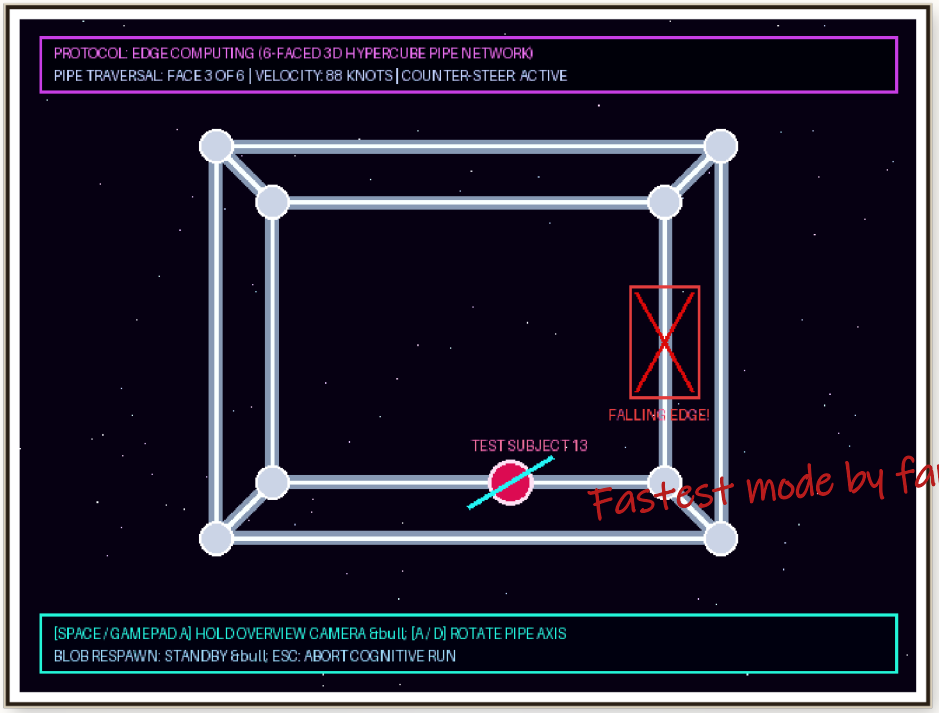
Jump BEFORE the block lands, not after!! →

CRUSHING PENALTY WARNING: If a falling polyomino compresses Subject 13 against the elevator floor, the trial will abort, and fifty cents ($0.50) will be deducted from your per diem disbursement. Stay mobile!



MODE 3: WIREFRAME MATRIX EDGE

Infinite Horizon Traversal, Hyperspace Acceleration & Reticle Locking



Fastest mode by far. Don't blink! ➔

Figure 6.3: High-speed hyperspace perspective during Mode 3 infinite grid traversal.

TACTICAL PROTOCOL

Mode 3 pushes SGI hardware to its theoretical limit! As speed accelerates past Mach 1 on the neon coordinate grid, the horizon bends into an endless tunnel. Your task is to keep the aiming reticle aligned with the focal distortion ring.

Use `↑`, `↓` for pitch stabilization and `ENTER` to engage blast overdrive.

MODE 3: SENSORY SAFEGUARDS

Retinal Scanline Burn Mitigation & Optic Nerve Synchronization

Because Mode 3 operates at blistering 60 frames per second with high-contrast phosphor grids, volunteers must follow strict physiological pacing:

RETINAL AFTERIMAGE PROTOCOL

"If the volunteer perceives persistent green geometric grids when looking at blank white walls after the session, this indicates successful cortical encoding. Do not attempt to wipe eyes. The grids will naturally fade after two hours or upon consuming one slice of pepperoni pizza."

Everything looked green for an hour after this...

BLINK CYCLING INSTRUCTIONS

- Blink both eyes firmly every 15 seconds during warp traversal.
- Do not stare fixedly at the extreme edges of the CRT bezel.
- If auditory arpeggios persist in your right ear, adjust the volume knob counterclockwise.



MODE 4: SUBTERRANEAN PARKING LOT

Concrete Labyrinth Navigation, Parked Sedans & Suspicious Personnel



Figure 6.4: Overhead isometric view of Sub-Level 3 subterranean concrete parking lot.

OPERATIONAL RULES

Mode 4 shifts perspective to an isometric tactical surveillance camera. Drive through the subterranean parking structure, dodge parked executive sedans, and locate wandering facility staff before shift change.

Use Arrow Keys to steer your vehicle and `H` to sound the horn to disperse loitering scientists.

MODE 4: NIGHTMARE PROTOCOL

Hallucination Dynamics, Streetlight Decay & Cultist Avoidance



Figure 6.5: Visual distortion recorded at 23:42 as purple atmospheric fog overtakes the parking bays.

CLASSIFIED ANOMALY ADVISORY: If your trial extends past 23:00 hours, the parking lot lighting will flicker to a deep crimson hue. You may observe hooded cultist figures, floating tombstones, or armored knights between concrete pillars. Do not exit your vehicle under any circumstances!

These entities are purely cognitive artifacts generated by your overclocked temporal lobe. If approached, floor the accelerator and aim for the illuminated exit ramp.



MODE 5-RACE
PIZZA CLUB
APPROVED

MODE 5: PIZZA DELIVERY SPRINT

High-Speed Route 66 Delivery, Traffic Evasion & 30-Minute Guarantee



Figure 6.6: The Pizza Delivery Van executing high-velocity lane maneuvers on the midnight desert highway.

MISSION DIRECTIVE

Mode 5 puts you behind the wheel of the official Buck Fifty Pizza Delivery Van. You must navigate midnight desert highways, weave through oncoming semi-trucks, and deliver twelve piping-hot pizzas before the countdown clock reaches zero!

Use ← , → for sharp steering and SPACE for emergency handbrake drift.

CHECKPOINT ALFA: NEON DINER

Desert Fueling Station, Pizza Voucher Redemption & Radio Intercepts

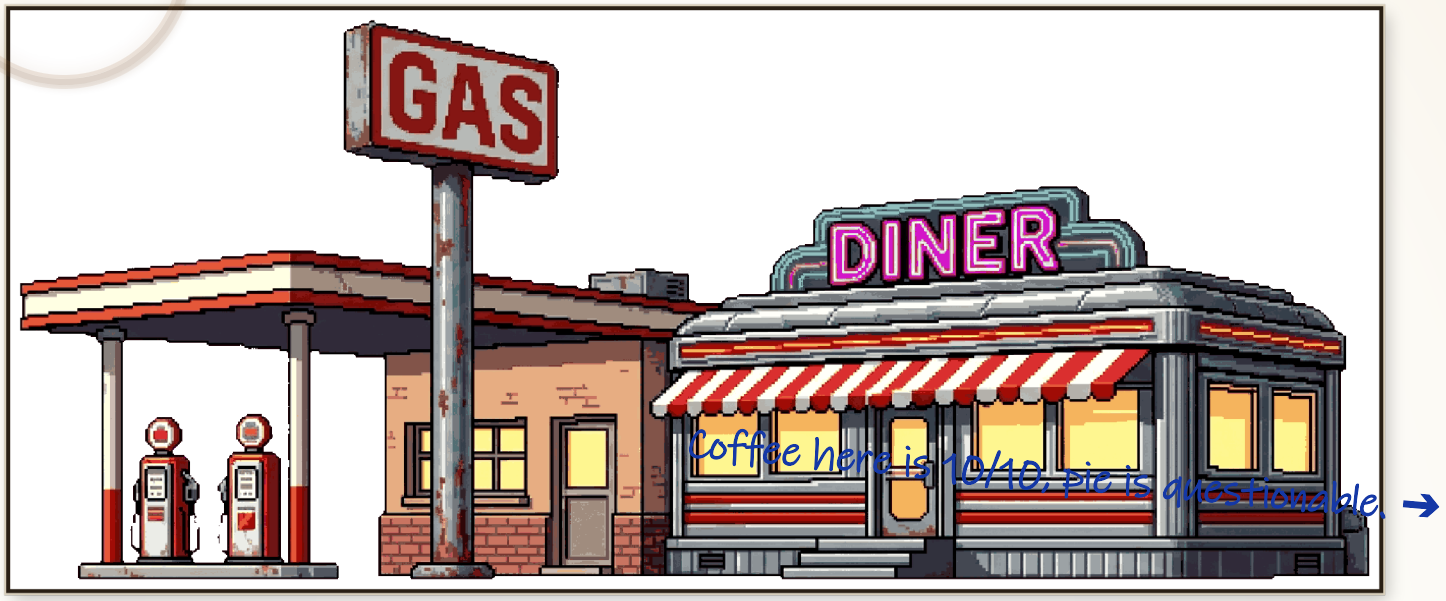


Figure 6.7: The 24-hour Route 66 neon oasis where volunteer pizza vouchers are officially honored.

Situated twelve miles north of the testing facility, Checkpoint Alfa serves as both the delivery finish line and the redemption counter for your physical pizza coupon.

> **HOW TO REDEEM:** Park at Pump #3, enter through the screen door, and present your signed manual voucher to Waitress Dot. Do not attempt to exchange pizza vouchers for beer or scratch-off lottery tickets.

CRT-PHOSPHOR-01



INTERLUDE: CRT RE-SYNCHRONIZATION

Scanline Beam Adjustment, Phosphor Persistence & Beam Drift

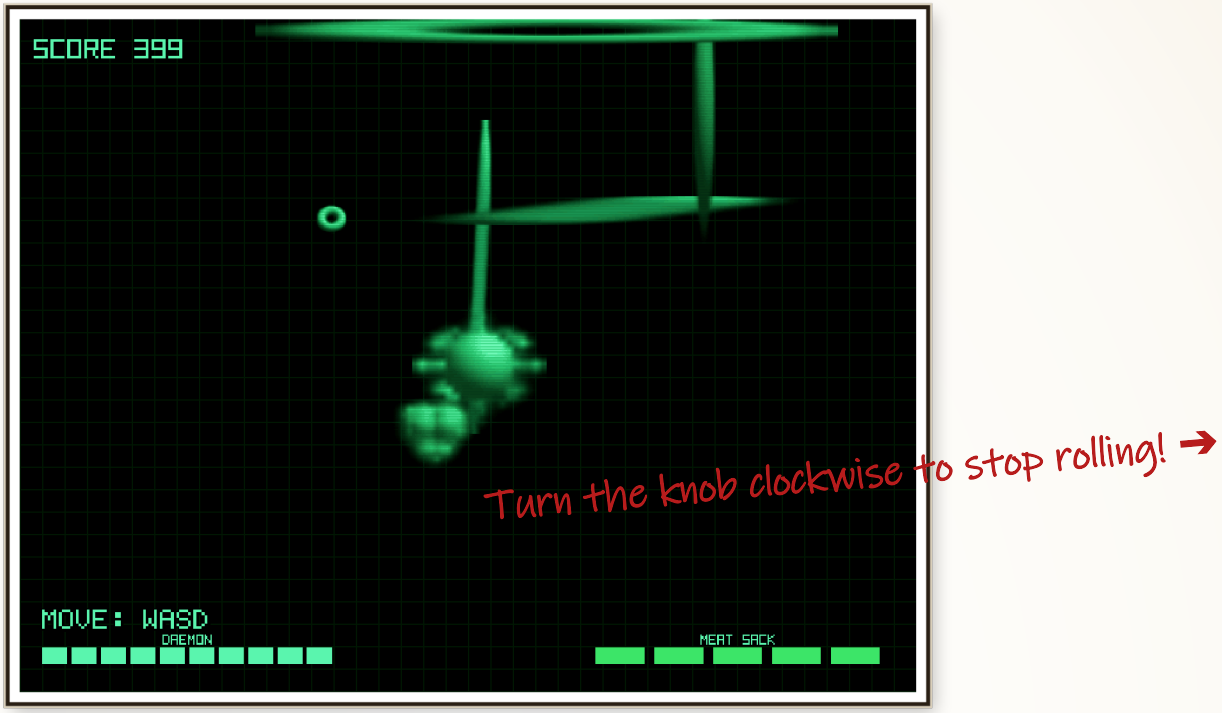


Figure 6.8: Auxiliary green phosphor diagnostic CRT during vertical hold frequency re-alignment.

Between test stages, the main display will switch to the soothing green phosphor pattern shown above. This 30-second resting interval allows the flyback transformer to dissipate thermal buildup and resets the volunteer's pupil dilation.

SCANLINE HARMONIC TIP: Inhale deeply as the raster line sweeps downward; exhale as it resets to the top. This aligns respiratory rhythm with SGI video refresh cycles.

SEC-DOSSIER-01

SECURITY DOSSIER: "DR. A. ARIS"

Subject 04 Incident Report & Unauthorized Sub-Level Wandering



Figure 7.1: Surveillance snapshot of senior researcher Dr. Aris wandering Sub-Level 3 with clipboard.

SECURITY INCIDENT ADVISORY: Dr. Aris was formerly Chief of Neural Architecture. Following a 96-hour continuous blast-rendering marathon in March 1996, he began refusing to enter the cleanroom and now resides in the subterranean parking garage. If he offers you punch cards or asks about a lost dog, nod politely and walk toward Security Station 2.

He asked me if I had seen his beagle?? →

SEC-DOSSIER-02

PIZZA-1 VEHICLE

SECURITY DOSSIER: "PIZZA-ONE"

Modified Courier Transport & Unauthorized Telemetry Transmitter



Figure 7.2: The tactical delivery transport fitted with insulated warming racks and broadcast antennas.

Internal Audit has flagged vehicle "PIZZA-ONE" (a customized 1989 station wagon) for multiple protocol infractions. Surveillance confirms the vehicle emits unauthorized 433 MHz FM transmissions that interfere with local desert radio stations.

VOLUNTEER INSTRUCTION: If assigned to Mode 5 delivery duties, do not tamper with the red toggle switch beneath the glove compartment labeled "NITRO-PIZZA."

The pizza sign on top spins at 60 RPM! →

LIVE TRIAL OBSERVATION DECK

Real-Time Volunteer Biometrics, Neural Telemetry & Scoring Monitors



Figure 7.3: Observation gallery overlooking volunteer testing pens with real-time biometric telemetry.

From the soundproof mezzanine above testing bay 4, senior researchers track every volunteer's heartbeat, galvanic skin response, and pupil dilation. Our algorithms calculate a composite "Cognitive Velocity Index" updated at 60 Hz.

BENCHMARK STANDARD: Maintaining an index above 85.0 earns an official gold foil commendation sticker affixed to your exit certificate.

CANINE AGILITY DISTRACTION TEST

Sensory Resilience Verification & Peripheral Visual Interference



Figure 7.4: Auxiliary broadcast feed of the 1996 All-American Canine Agility Championship.

During Stage 4 calibration, the secondary monitor to your left will suddenly broadcast live footage of the Annual Desert Canine Agility Trials. Champion Terrier "Barnaby" will navigate hurdles and weave poles at high speed.

DO NOT LOOK AT THE TERRIER: This broadcast is an intentional peripheral distraction designed to test your optic fixity. Glancing at Barnaby's weave pole routine deducts 150 points from your Cognitive Index score!

POV-RAY 3D RAYTRACED SHOWCASE

State-of-the-Art 1996 Photorealistic Benchmarks & Specular Highlights



Figure 7.5: 3D raytraced benchmark rendered over 48 hours using POV-Ray v2.2 on 8 SGI nodes.

To demonstrate our technological supremacy over consumer video game consoles, Buck Fifty engineers rendered this photorealistic turntable benchmark. Notice the mathematically precise Phong specular reflections on the chrome spheres and the procedural checkerboard floor.

THE RAYTRACING MILESTONE: While 16-bit home systems struggle to draw 500 flat-shaded polygons per second, our SGI network traces 1.2 million light rays per frame with optical refraction!

SECTION VIII: INTERNAL AUDIT TRANSCRIPTS

Sub-Level 4 Security Tape Recording: Subject 13 Debriefing

TRANSCRIPT EXCERPT • AUDIO REEL #96-10-26-BAY4

[04:12:02] VANCE STERLING: "Technician, confirm Subject 13's alpha-wave resonance. Are the blast-rendering vectors holding stability?"

[04:12:15] TECH DALE: "Yes, Mr. Sterling. The volunteer has cleared the vertical tetra shaft. Pupil dilation is locked at 4.2 millimeters."

That was me in testing bay 4!! I remember this! →

[04:12:30] VANCE STERLING: "Is there any sign of cognitive desynchronization? Any spontaneous pomade flash-points?"

[04:12:44] TECH DALE: "Negative, sir. Only an intense craving for pan pizza and an uncontrollable urge to give high-fives."

[04:12:55] VANCE STERLING: "Excellent. Print the voucher and hand them their dollar fifty. Science marches forward!"

This official transcript proves the efficacy of our 64-bit cognitive acceleration protocols. Civilian volunteers leave our facility with heightened reflexes, sharp spatial awareness, and full bellies!



FORM-EXIT-96

RADICAL APPROVED

VOLUNTEER SURVIVAL EXIT CHECKLIST

Final Sign-Off, Paste Neutralization & Per Diem Cash Voucher Receipt

MANDATORY CHECK-OUT VERIFICATION (INITIAL EACH ITEM)

[ ] 1. Conductive silver cranial paste neutralized using lemon alcohol solvent.

[ ] 2. Elastic forehead headband deposited in decontamination bin #2.

[ ] 3. Magnetic volunteer badge [SUBJECT 13] surrendered at Gate Delta.

[ ] 4. Physical cash per diem ($1.50) received in legal tender.

[ ] 5. Personal Pan Pizza voucher authenticated by Shift Supervisor.

[ ] 6. Volunteer certifies zero permanent memory loss regarding subterranean anomalies.

TEAR ALONG DOTTED PERFORATION TO REDEEM AT DINER

KEEP THE RECEIPT! ➔

★ OFFICIAL PERSONAL PAN PIZZA VOUCHER ★

AUTHORIZED

ENTITLES BEARER: 1x 6-INCH PERSONAL PAN PIZZA • ROUTE 66 DINER

ISSUED TO: **SUBJECT 13** SUPERVISOR SIGNATURE: *V. Sterling* VALUE: **1 HOT MEAL**

FINAL-BACK-1996
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