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ATARI® INTRODUCES THE NEWEST OUTER SPACE CHALLENGER IN VIDEO GAMES - SPACE INVADERS TM

SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA - Space Invaders TM , currently the most popular video game in amusement arcades around the world, is now the newest star of the Atari Video Computer System TM cartridge library.

Space Invaders promises to be one of the most addictive and intriguing video games ever. The basic objective is to prevent the legions of space invaders from conquering and destroying the earth! Even if you succeed in destroying the first wave of 36 invaders before they reach the earth, a new invasion force will appear on the screen, closer to earth than the last group. This process can be repeated indefinitely if you continue to destroy the aliens.

The new space cartridge will be the 33rd in the Atari video Game Program TM library. An additional five cartridges, Night Driver TM , 3-D Tic-Tac-Toe, Golf, Circus Atari R , and Adventure, are scheduled for spring introduction.

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New cartridges include Space Invaders $^{\text{TM}}$, 3-D Tic-Tac-Toe, Night Driver $^{\text{TM}}$, Golf, Circus Atari $^{\text{R}}$ and Adventure.

SPACE INVADERS — It's adapted from the most successful video arcade game in history. Creatures from outer space threaten the earth. Your mission is to stop them with laser cannons while avoiding their laser bombs and multiplying forces as they march increasingly closer to earth.

3-D TIC-TAC-TOE -- All the fun that children and adults alike have enjoyed for years is now available in a challenging 3-dimensional form for video game players. The objective is to place four "O"s or "X"s in one horizontal, vertical or diagonal row before the computer or an opposing player does. To do so you may use one plane or all four planes. Nine games in all and 76 possible ways to win.

ATARI ADDS SIX NEW CARTRIDGES (continued)

NIGHT DRIVER -- The same death delying action that made Atari's Night Driver arcade game so popular. The road is rough, dark and winding. Caution and concentration are requisites in this defensive driving game. Anything or anyone can jump out on the road in the dark of night. The object is to stay on the road as long as possible and avoid crashing into pylons or the oncoming traffic.

GOLF -- Now you can play golf at home, even in stormy weather. There are nine tournament-quality holes on Atari's course, each with a designated par. Total par for this course is 36 points. When playing a one-player game, try to match or beat par. In a two player game, the winner is the player with the least amount of strokes. But swing carefully. There are the usual sandtraps, lakes and trees to avoid. The wrong play may cost penalty strokes.

CIRCUS ATARI® -- Multi-colored balloons and clowns collide under Atari's Big Top. You must try to pop the balloons by bouncing the clown from the teeter-totter up to the rows of balloons. Red, white and blue balloons have different point values. The more difficult the "pop", the higher the score.

ADVENTURE -- Adventure plays like the addictive Dungeons and Dragons fantasy role playing board game and includes the added dimension of video. A wicked magician has stolen an Enchanted Goblet and hidden it somewhere in the Kingdom. The object of the game is to rescue the Goblet and replace it inside the Golden Castle where it belongs -- no easy task. Three deadly dragons and a black bat hinder your quest, but scattered throughout the Kingdom are objects to help you slay the dragons and outwit the evil magician.

Atari Inc., a division of Warner Communications Inc., is the leading manufacturer of innovative consumer electronics products - personal computers, programmable video games and hand held electronic games.



PONG!

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Like all of Atari's subsequent video games, PONG was an electronic video game in which semiconductor logic circuits were used to generate images displayed on a television screen.

Since its start in 1972, Atari has grown into a company with about 2,000 employees. Atari's world headquarters and manufacturing facilities are located in Sumnyvale, California.

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publishing and related distribution (Warner Publishing, Warner Books, Independent
News, Mad Magazine, DC Comics), cable communications (Warner-AMEX), toys and
electronic games (Atari Inc., Knickerbocker Toys and Malibu Grand Prix),
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PERSONAL COMPUTER SYSTEMS

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One of Atari's early coin-operated games, Touch MeTM, was the first game to be adapted to this new compact format. Several other coin-operated games will be introduced in hand held version early in 1980.

SUCCESS SECRET - CREATIVITY AND EXPERTISE

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ATARI ANNOUNCES

SPACE INVADERS* LICENSE

Contact: Ginny Juhnke

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January 28, 1980

Sunnyvale, California - Atari, Inc., a division of Warner Communications
Inc., announced today that it signed a license agreement with Taito Corporation
of Japan under which Atari is granted the exclusive right to use the name

Space Invaders in connection with the manufacture or sale of non-coin-operated
video games, personal computers, and hand held electronic toys and games.

Space Invaders is currently the world's most popular video arcade game.

Atari recently introduced a Space Invaders cartridge for its programmable Video Computer System TM and will introduce a hand held version of Space Invaders at the Toy Fair in New York on February 11, 1980.

Michael J. Moone, President of Atari's Consumer Division stated,

"This exclusive agreement offers a tremendously exciting opportunity for

Atari to bring this record-breaking arcade game to the home market. Atari

has agressive marketing plans for these two products and as the sole licensee

of the Space Invaders name in these product catagories, will be working with

Taito to protect our exclusivity and pursue certain unauthorized users now

selling products bearing the Space Invaders name."

New York Contact: Michael Thomas (212) 421-1461

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ATARI INC. TO INTRODUCE HAND HELD ELECTRONIC GAMES AT NEW YORK TOY FAIR

Contact: Ginny Juhnke (408) 745-2883

New York, New York -- Atari, Inc. a division of Warner Communications Inc. and the nation's leading manufacturer of sophisticated computer-controlled consumer and coin-operated video games, announced today further expansion into the hand held electronic games market.

Atari, which introduced the challenging and popular Touch MeTM last year with excellent public response, will expand it's hand held electronic games product line with the debut of Space Invaders^{*} and Super BreakoutTM games at the Toy Fair here on February 10th.

Super Breakout is a pocket-sized hand held version of Atari's popular home video and coin-operated BreakoutTM game. It features a liquid crystal display with a 32 x 32 resolution, 4 times higher than most other hand held units. Other special features include a contrast control knob, Piezo-electric speaker, difficulty/game select switch and knob control.

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ATARI INTRODUCES ADDITIONAL HAND HELD GAMES . . (continued)

Space Invaders, the most popular video game in amusement arcades around the world, recently introduced by Atari as an addition to their home video game library, will be shown for the first time in the new hand held format at the February 10th Toy Fair in New York.

Like Super Breakout, Space Invaders features a high resolution display, precise controls of the game action and the added dimension of sound that increases the excitement as the player repels the invasion force.

In making the announcement, Mr. Michael Moone, President of the Atari Consumer Division, commented, "With these two exciting additions to the Atari family of innovative consumer electronics products, we continue to solidfy our leadership position in one of the fastest growing segments of American and International retailing today."

Moone added, "As further evidence of our commitment in this area, Atari will open a dramatic new permanent showroom at 200 5th Avenue, Suite 1357, New York City, in early February, timed with the Toy Show."

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To date, Atari has adapted three popular coin-operated video games to this

new compact format - Space Invaders * , Super Breakout TM , and Touch Me TM .

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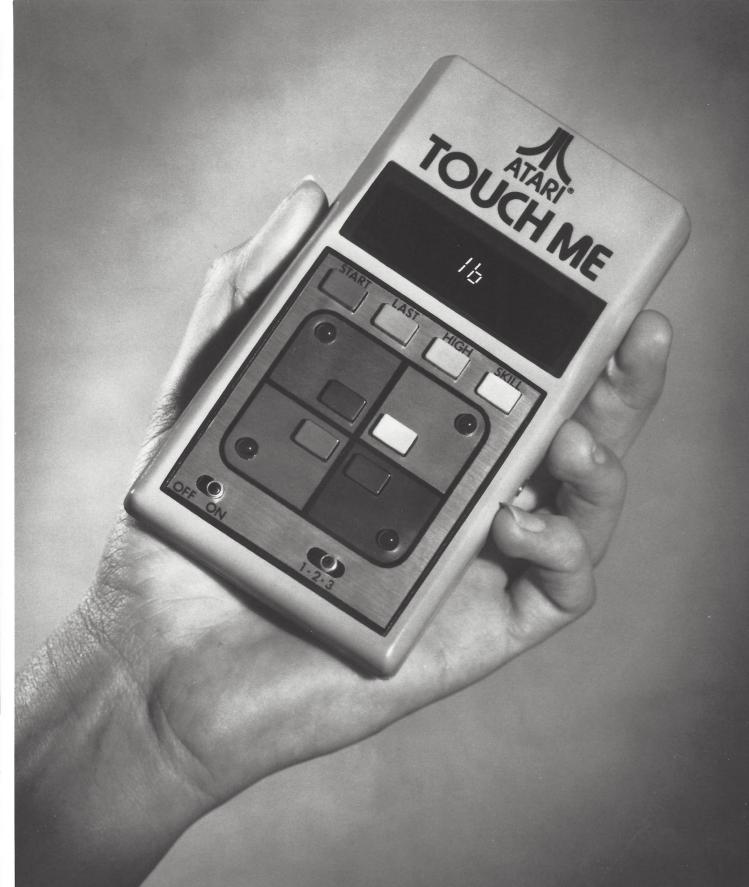
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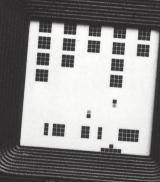
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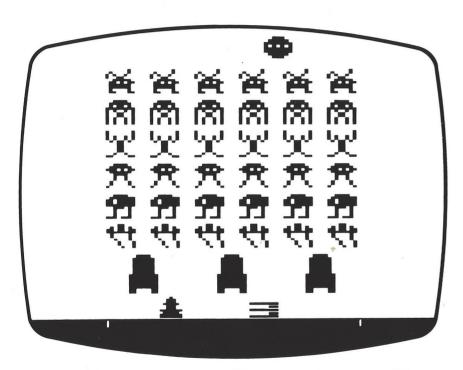


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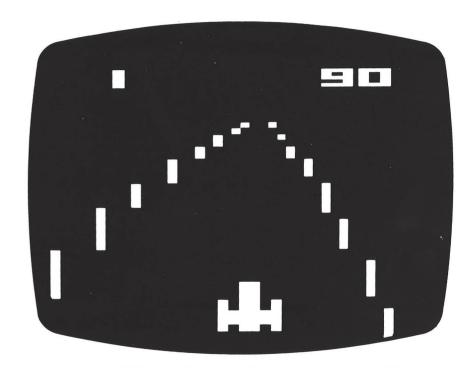




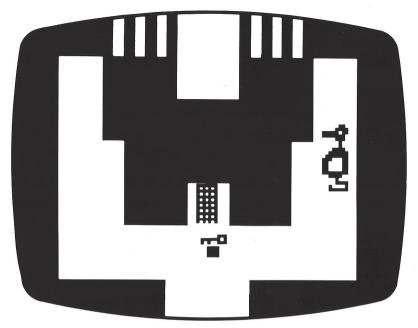
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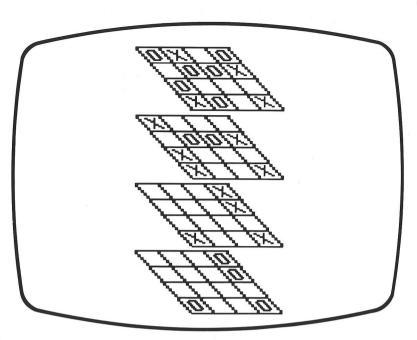
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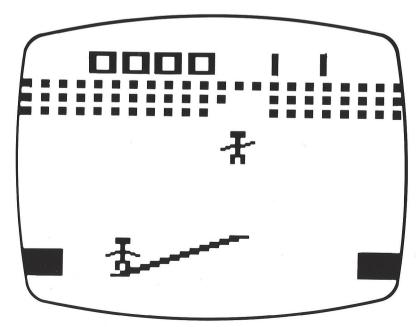
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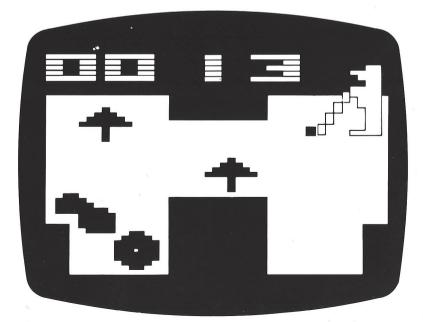
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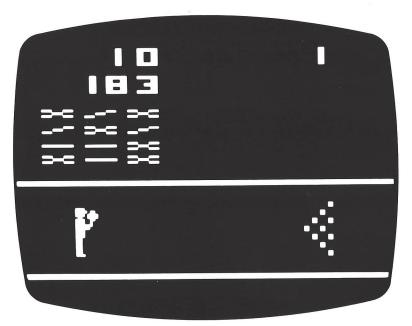
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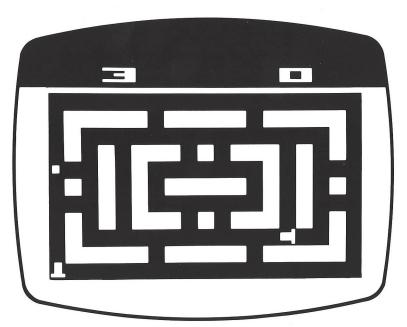
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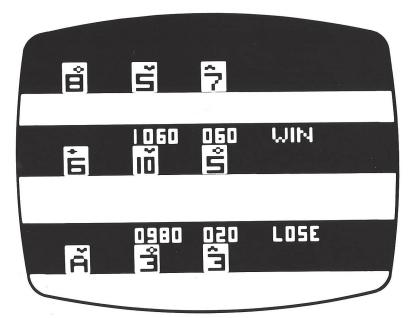
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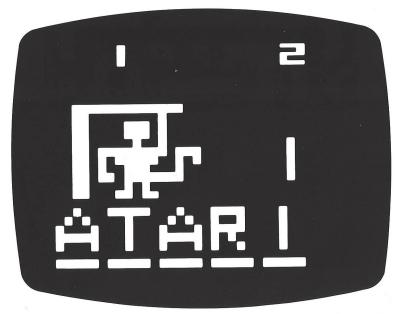
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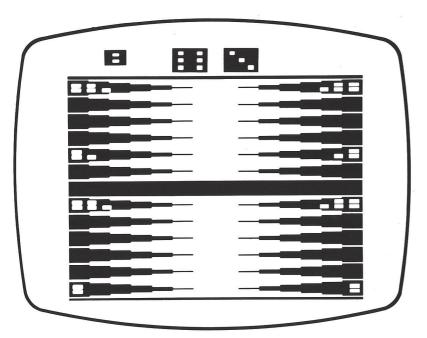
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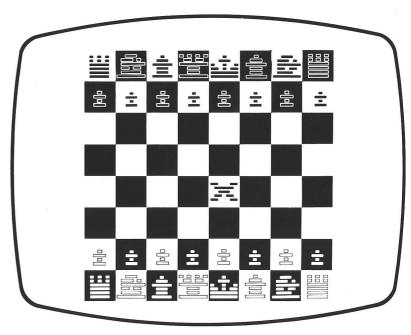
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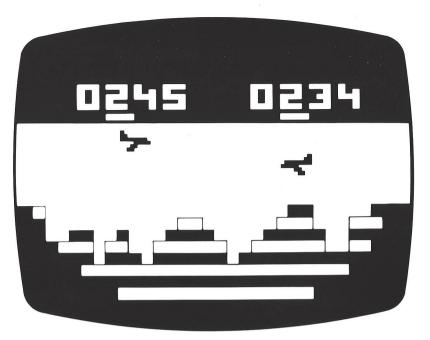
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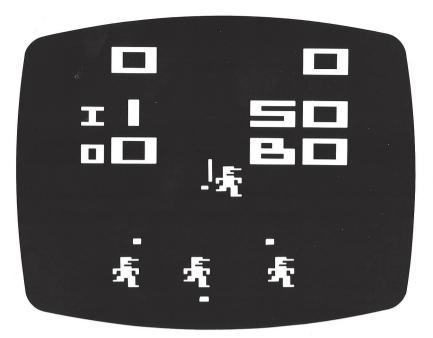
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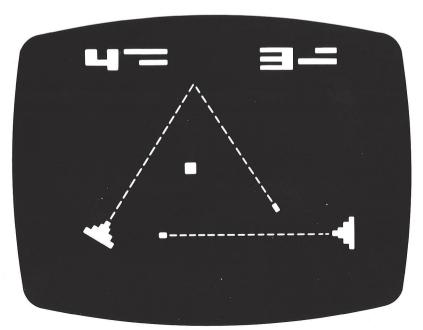
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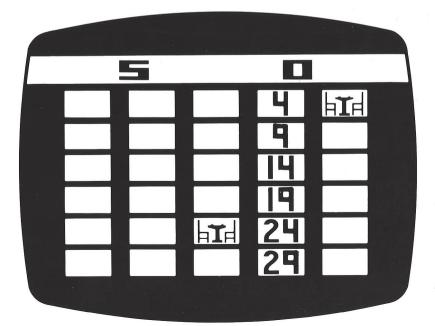
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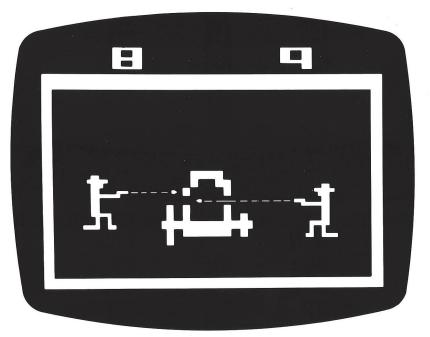
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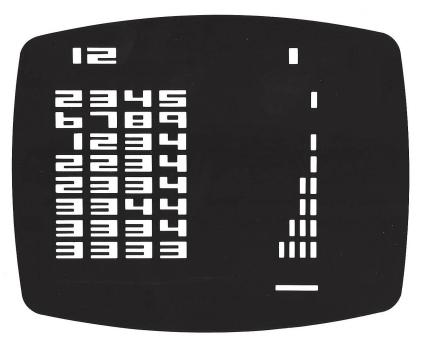
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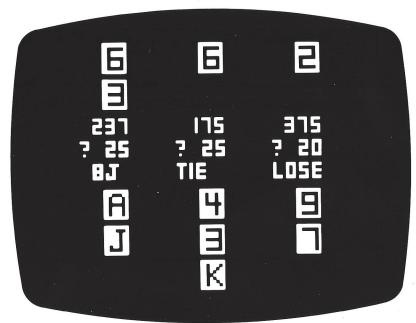
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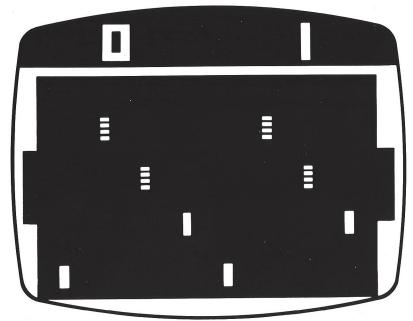
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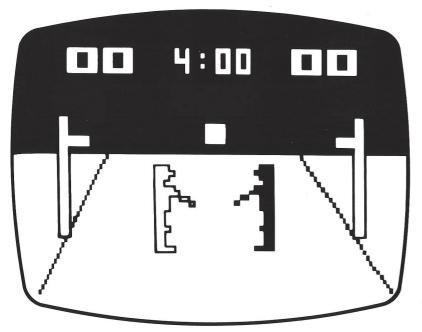
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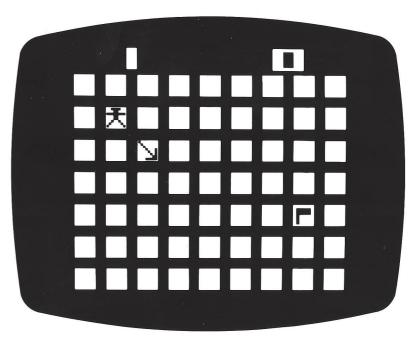
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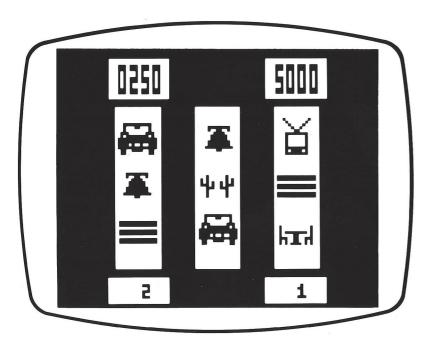
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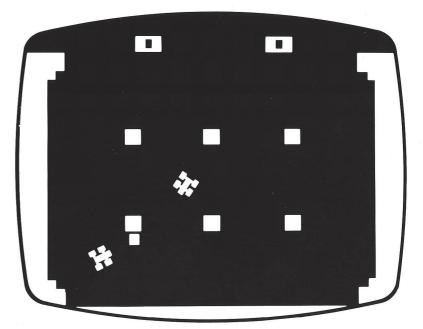
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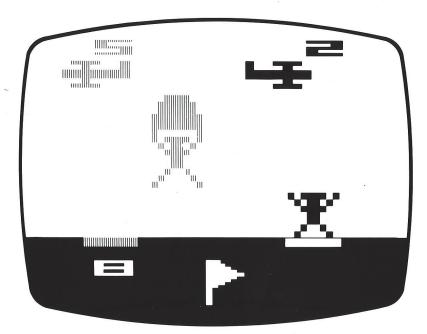
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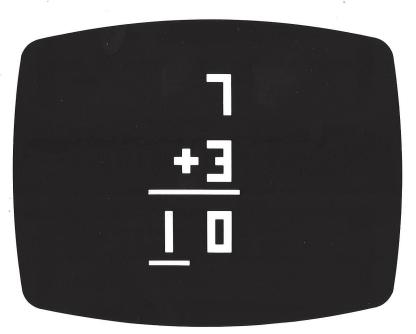
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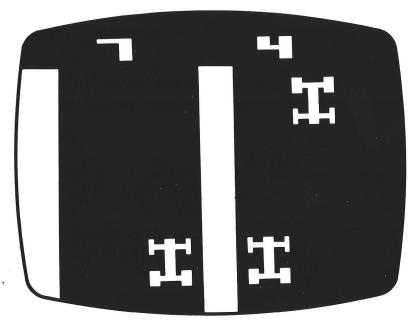
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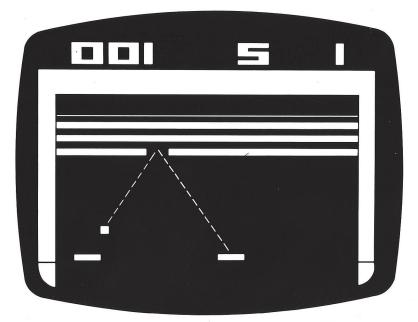
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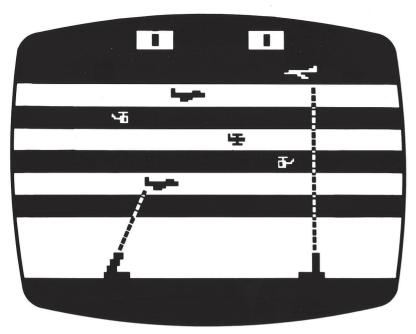
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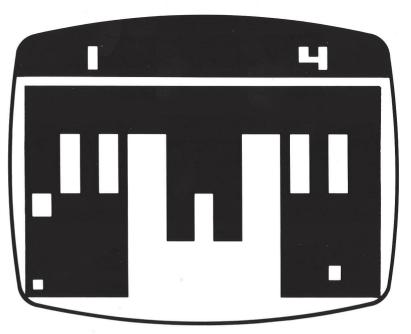
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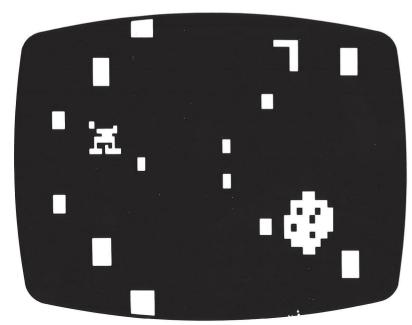
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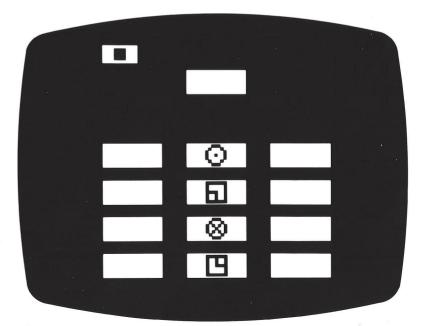
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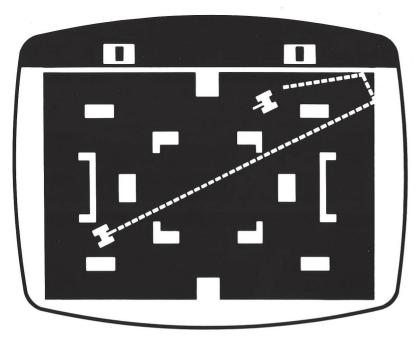
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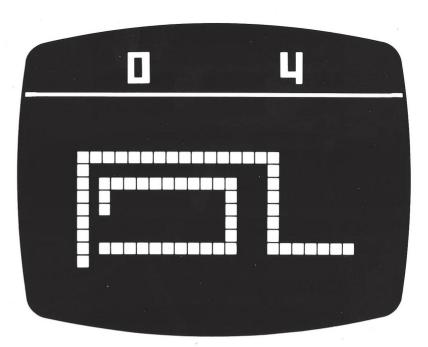
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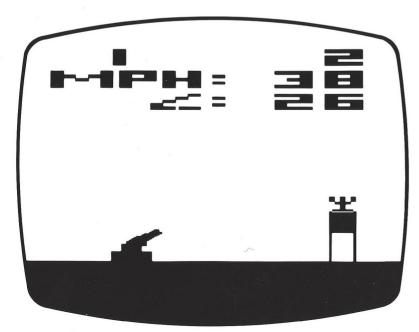
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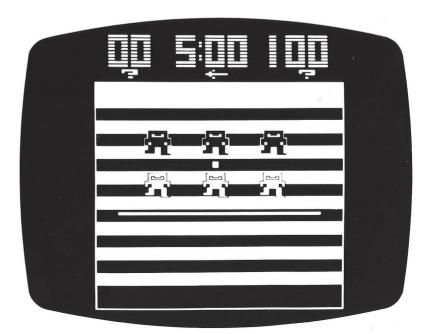
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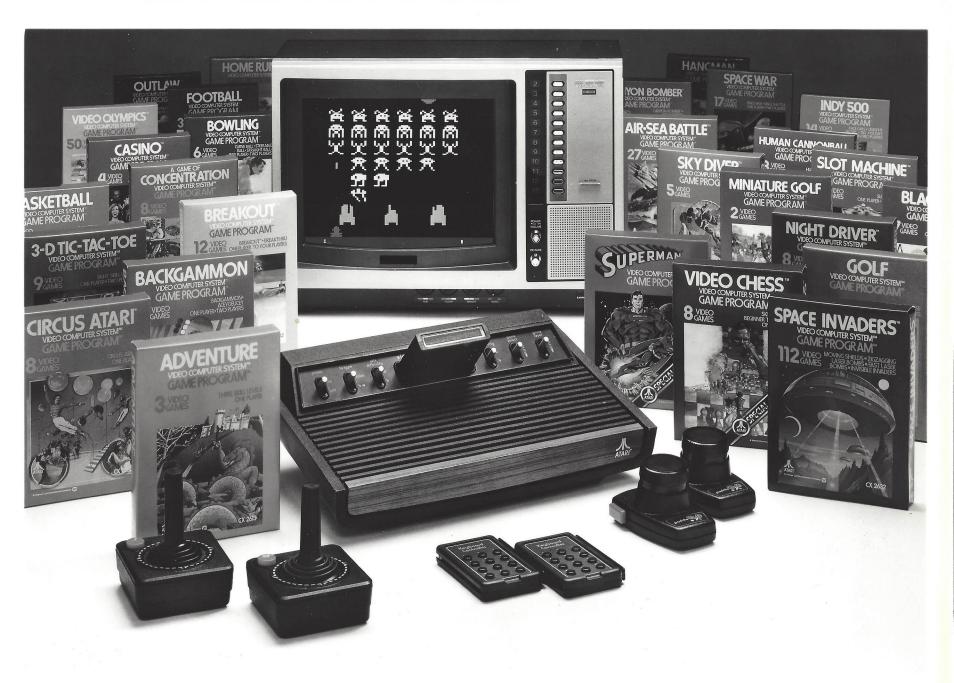


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