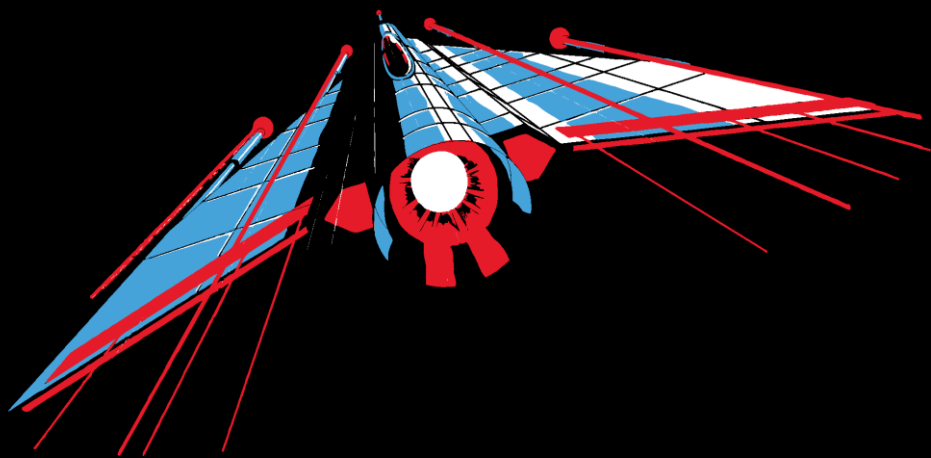


Vectorblade



A Vectrex game by Malban

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First time

The first time you insert your new Vectorblade Cartridge into your Vectrex you will be asked to calibrate Vectorblade to your own Vectrex machine.

Due to the analog nature of the Vectrex' hardware every Vectrex behaves slightly different. Using calibration you can optimize the accuracy of the visuals.

The first information needed for calibration is, whether your Vectrex is a so called "NoBuzz" Vectrex machine (newer hardware generation). "NoBuzz" Vectrex are vastly more sensitive to calibration, so a different calibration routine is used.

Calibration is done in several steps. Each of those steps is designed to optimize one specific vector drawing routine. You will be asked to align vectors drawings using your joystick.

Joystick up/down

To align the drawing use the joystick up/down (coarse alignment).

Button 1

Provides a short help on the current proceedings.

Button 2+3

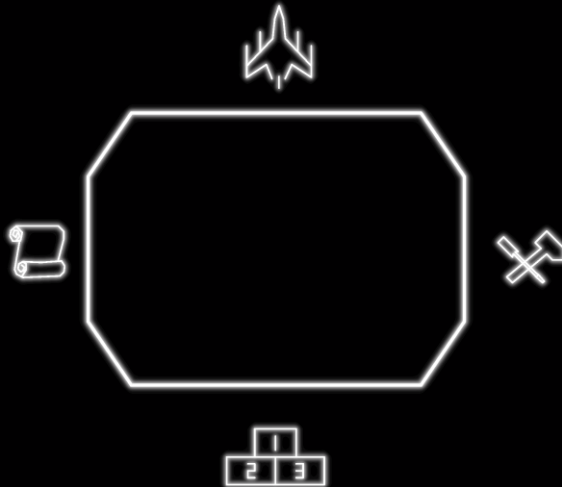
Can be used to fine tune the calibration in "single steps".

Button 4

Advances to the next calibration step.

If you use your Vectorblade cartridge with other Vectrex, you most probably have to recalibrate. You can start the calibration process from the options menu.

The Menu



After the title screen, above “menu” screen is displayed. Using the joystick you can select:

- UP (Icon: Fighter -> start the game)
- Down (Icon: Podium -> display high scores)
- Left (Icon: Scroll -> display achievements)
- Right (Icon: Tools -> Options)

The selected icon is highlighted, pressing button 4 will activate the selection.

Within the menu (and sub menus) you can press button 1 to display a short help text.