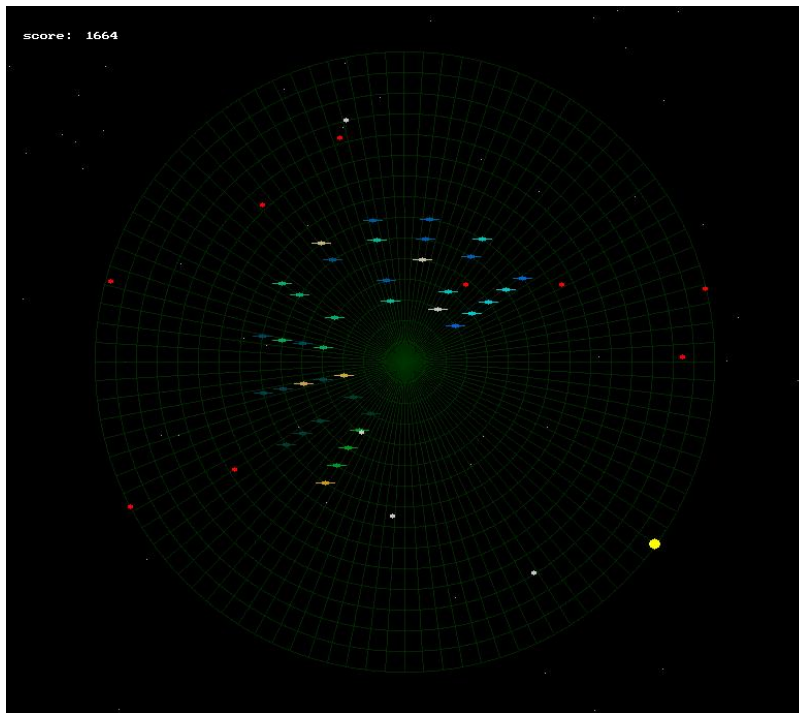# Alien Annihilation

User Manual

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The story so far…

Vogons are one of the most unpleasant races in the galaxy. Not evil, but bad tempered bureaucratic officious and callous – and they are here to destroy earth to make way for a hyper express bypass and to read you their vile poetry.

DON'T PANIC!

The world is not over… yet! You have been randomly selected by Zaphod Beeblebrox, the ex-galactic president, owner of the "hippest place in the universe" (his left cranium), to defend the earth from total annihilation. Your only weapon – the Infinite Improbability Cannon on the Heart of Gold space ship. It is your duty to destroy all the Vogon constructor ships before they reach your base and demolish planet earth.

Install and Run

You have the folder on your computer containing all the required files to run the game. Copy the folder into your directory of choice. Double click on the executable (Project.exe) file to start the game.
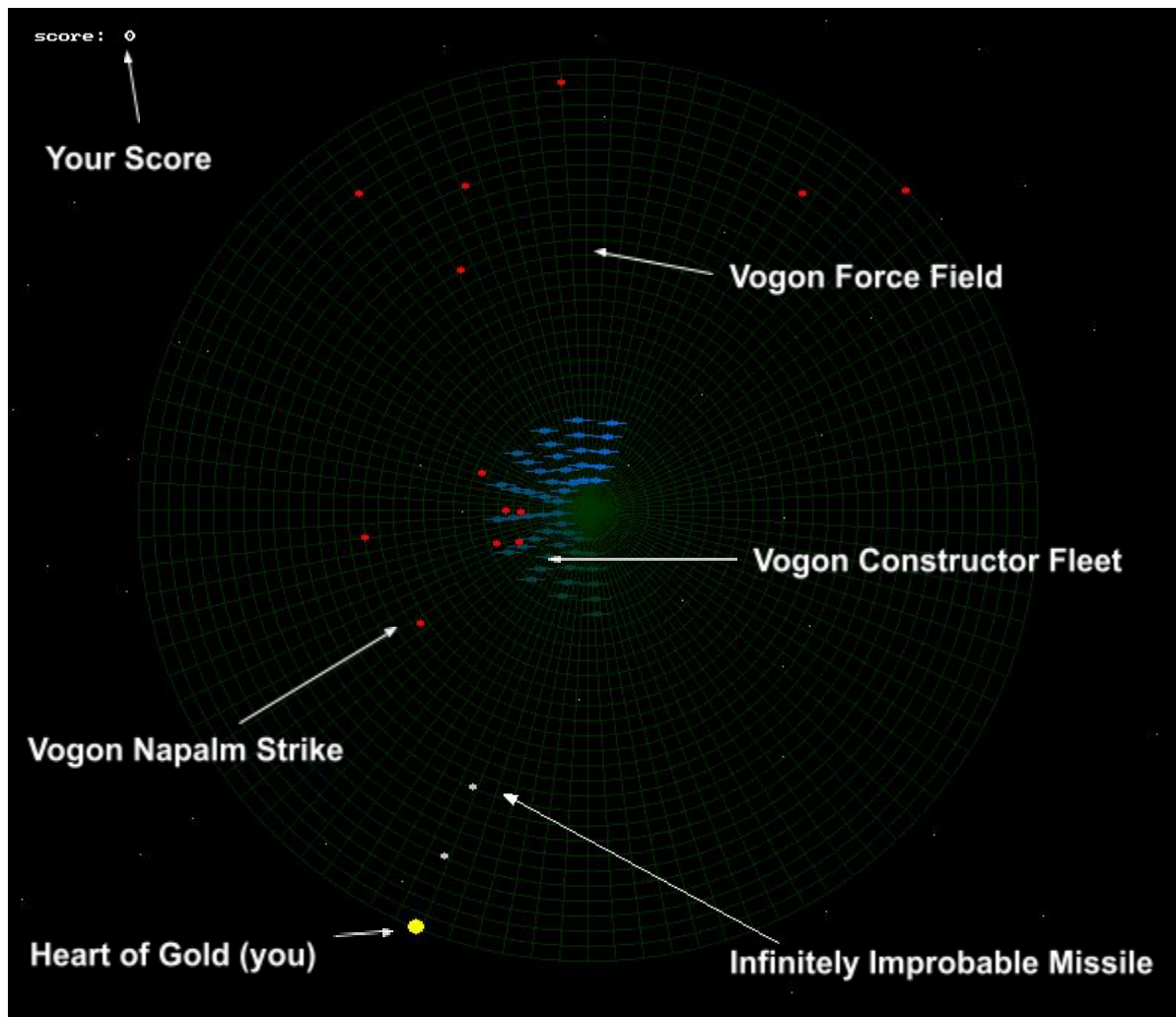
Main menu

You should see this screen as soon as the game starts.

Choose which level you want to play by pressing 1, 2, or 3 on the keyboard for levels 1, 2 or 3. Each level represents an increase in difficulty - start on level 1 to get a feel for the game.
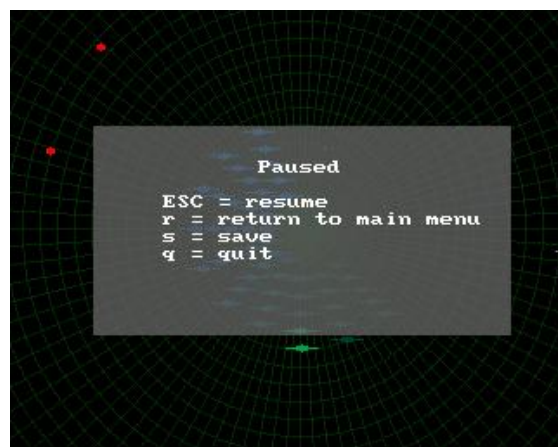
Press "l" to load a previously saved game (see the *Save and Load* section). Press "q" if you can't handle the pressure of the fate of the world resting in your hands.

Gameplay

- Hit the space bar to fire your Infinite Improbability Cannon. Each press fires one infinitely improbable missile.

- The force field protecting the Vogon fleet is holding you back from advancing on them. Press the left and right arrow keys to navigate the Heart of Gold around the perimeter of the force field to dodge the Vogon Napalm Strikes.

- The Vogon constructor shield can only take two hits from your infinitely improbable missiles after which the third hit will destroy the enemy ship. The colour of the Vogon ships indicates its shield status. One shade lighter means it has taken a single hit from your cannon. A shade of yellow indicates the shield is down and the Vogon will be destroyed with the next hit.

- Your ship can only take three hits before it is destroyed and the earth is lost. Allow this to happen and you will forever be a loser.

- Your infinitely improbable missiles also have the power to take out the Vogon Napalm Strikes. One of your missiles can take out one napalm strike. Note: both missiles will be destroyed in the process.

- 20 points are awarded for every missile of yours that damages a Vogon. 70 points are awarded to you for each Vogon you destroy. 1 point is taken away for every missile that is wasted or destroyed. 100 points are deducted for every Vogon Napalm Strike that hits your Heart of Gold.

- At any time during the invasion, hit the escape key to bring up the pause menu. You have the option to chicken out if things are heating up by pressing "q" or you can save your current game, take a breather, and come back to your saved game later by loading it from the main menu. You also have the choice of returning to the main menu to try a fresh attempt at stopping the alien invasion or you can continue your current game by hitting the "escape" key.

Save and Load

You can only save your game when you are in the battle with the Vogons by pressing "s" in the pause menu. Once you save, the current game will automatically end. To load your saved game press "l" in the main menu. If your saved game is successfully loaded you should see a screen like this. Press "enter" to continue your game.

Oops! If you see a screen like this then you have no saved games. Press enter to return to the main menu and start a new game.

Game Over

Destroy the entire Vogon fleet to win the game. You will see the victory screen. Press "enter" to return to the main menu.

If you are destroyed you will see this screen:

If the Vogons manage to invade your base then you lose and will be shown this screen:

If you are the competitive type you can still write down your score using your special Alien Annihilation pen and note pad to compare scores with your friends.