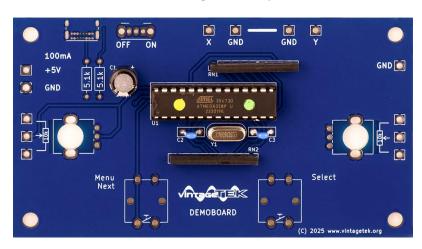


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The new and improved demo board has been designed to allow additional parts to be added for full functionality. The board is sold in a basic configuration with a pre-programmed processor and requires +5V and two switches (not supplied) for basic display of the images. Two 10K potentiometers or joysticks (also not supplied) need to be added to play the games. A USB-C connector, two 5K1 resistors, and an on/off switch (also not supplied) can be used for convenient +5V power. These extra parts can be added directly to the PCB and pads have been added for ease of wiring to external components. Part numbers for the additional on-PCB parts are indicated on the rear.

Connect the oscilloscope X, Y, and ground to the indicated pads. Use short leads to connect to the oscilloscope, or use X10 probes. If you use X10 probes, make sure they are correctly compensated. Set the oscilloscope input to DC coupling. Some oscilloscopes have a short input time-constant in AC coupling that will distort the images. Most digital oscilloscopes do not work as well in X-Y mode, so an analog oscilloscope is recommended.



The ATmega328P processor supplied with your demo board has already been programmed. The menu provides the various display options: vintageTEK logo, Tek Bug, Wizard, 511, all four images, and the games Tennis and Target Ball. The Menu/Next switch selects a menu option, and the Select switch executes. The selected mode will be remembered when power is removed and restored. To exit the current mode and return to the menu, press the Menu Next switch.

The tennis game starts with the ball in the center moving toward the right paddle. The paddles are drawn straight, but are slightly curved in effect. The angle at which the ball rebounds off the paddle depends on where it strikes the paddle. If the ball misses a paddle and hits a left or right wall, a point is scored for the opposite side and the game restarts with the ball in the middle, headed toward the side that scored the last point. As each side scores a point, its score is incremented, but once a score reaches 9, it does not increment. To restart the game and reset the score, cycle the power to the board.

The target ball game starts with only the right paddle. A solid wall is shown on the left with a gap. The object is to hit the ball, similar to Tennis, to exit through the gap. The gap moves to a new position each time, and decreases in size to increase the difficulty. Again, to restart the game and reset the score, cycle the power to the board.

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