

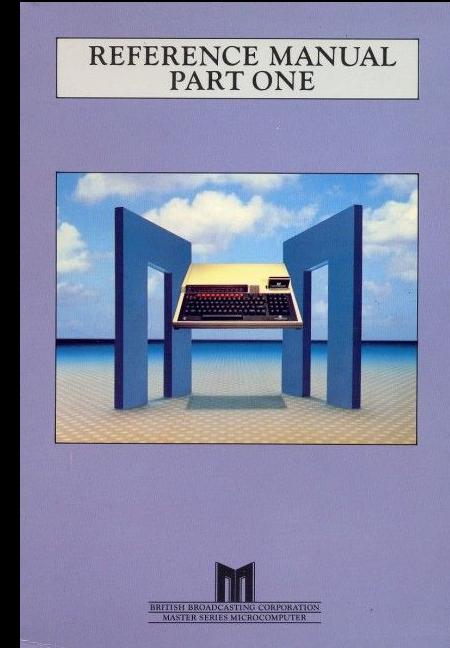
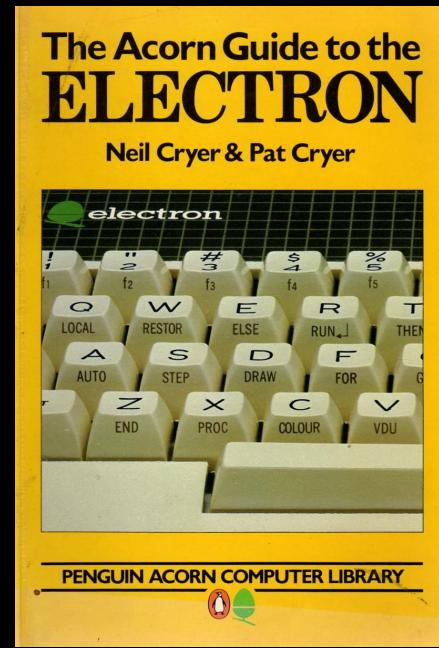
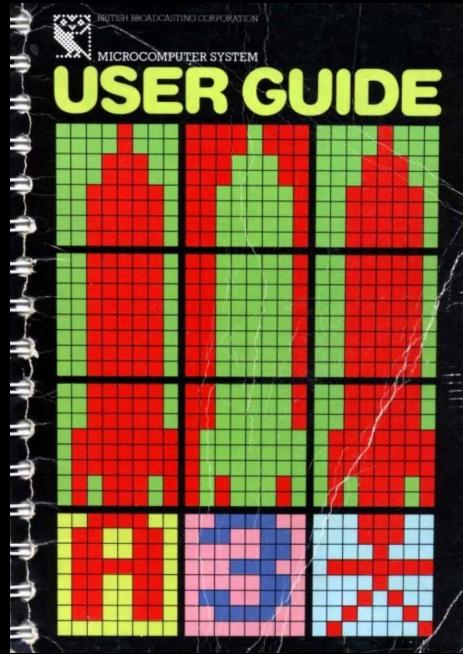


Making new videos about old computers

Colin Hoad - ROUGOL, Feb 2026

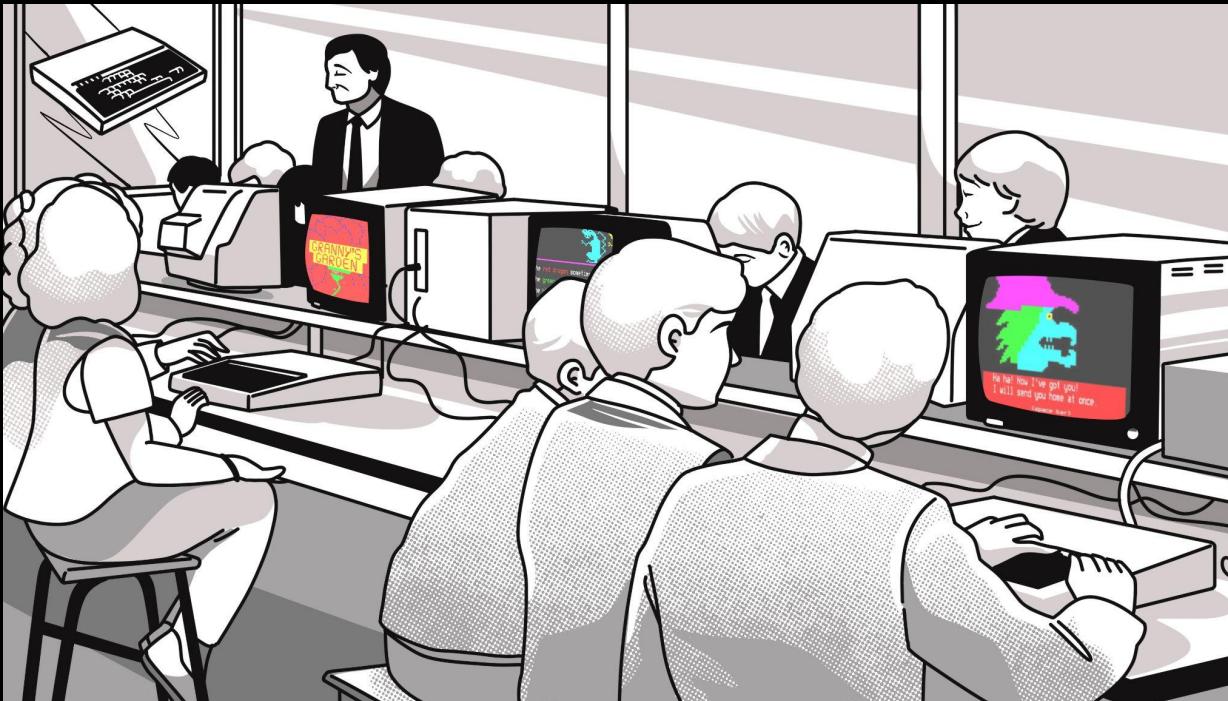
A little about me...

- Grew up around Acorn computers - because of Dad



A little about me...

- The BBC Micro had a very long 'shelf life' in our school



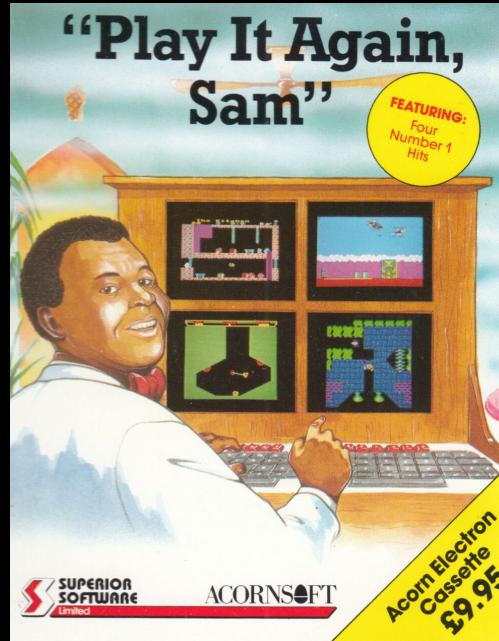
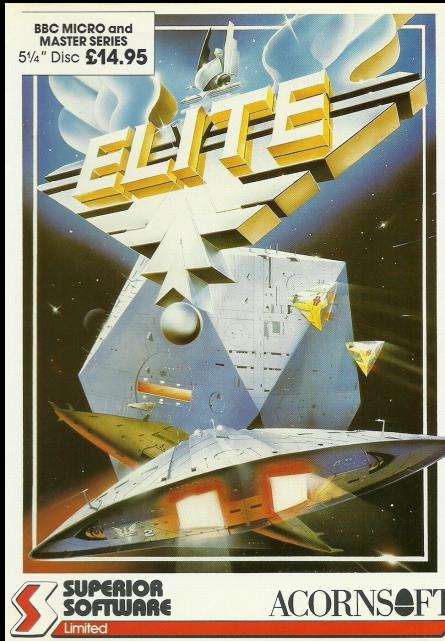
A little about me...

- Learnt from an early age how to program... because what else were you going to do with a home micro?



A little about me...

- (Apart from play games on it!)



So, why YouTube?

- Started getting back into gaming via emulation
- Realised there were lots of channels out there doing game reviews of old games... but not a lot of love for Acorn!

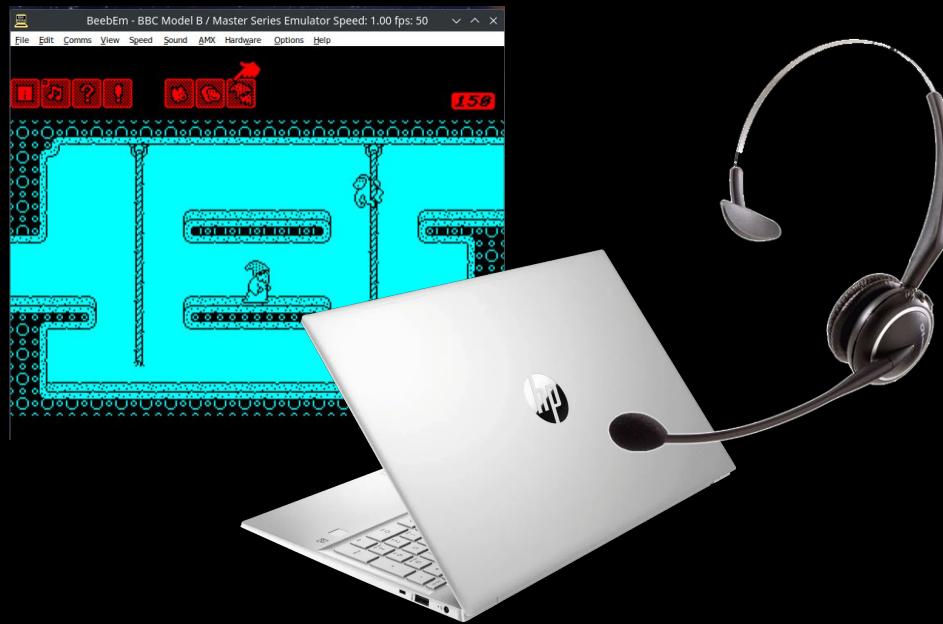


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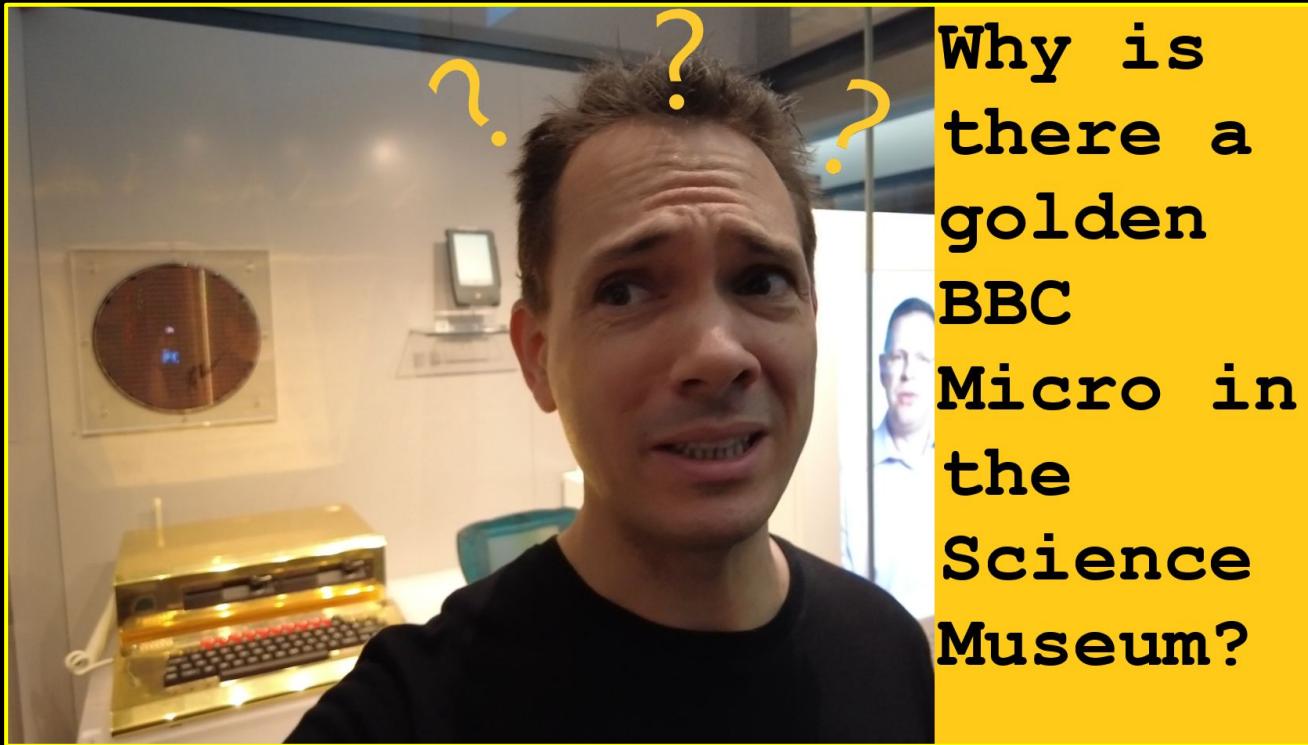
- Very, very primitive!



Where it went next...



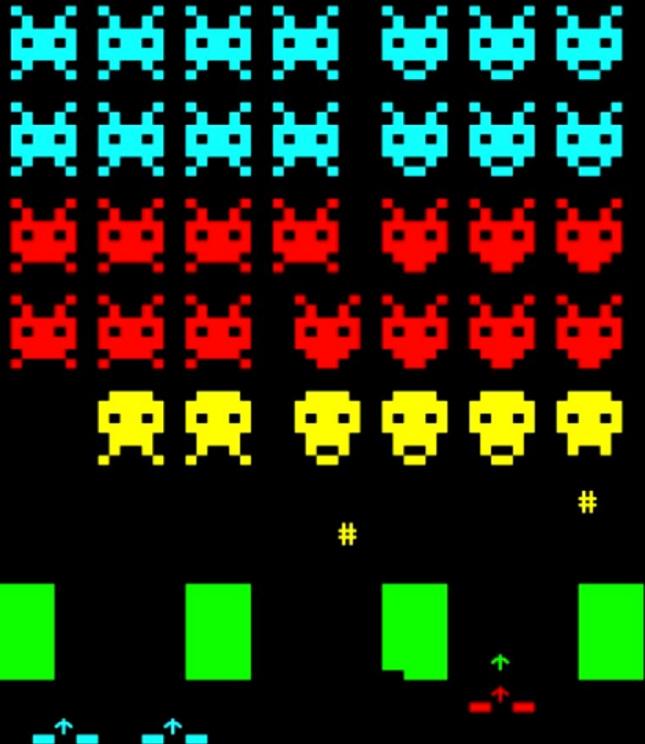
The 'breakout' video



Branching out into new topics

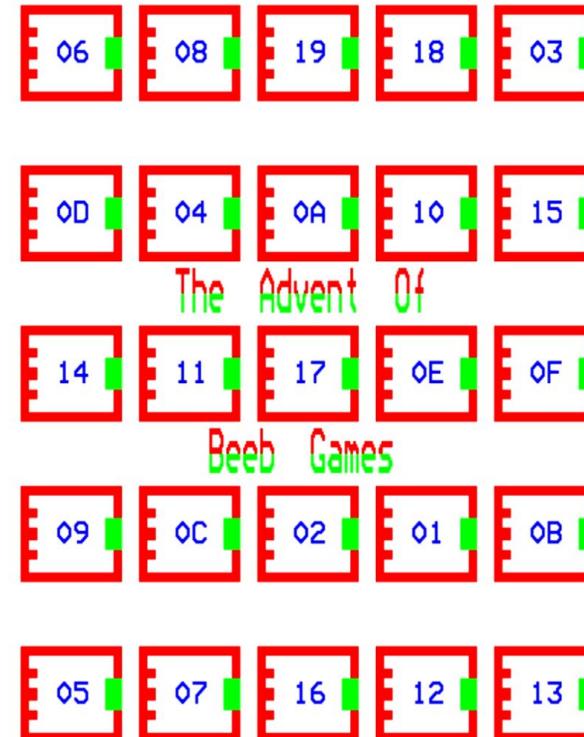
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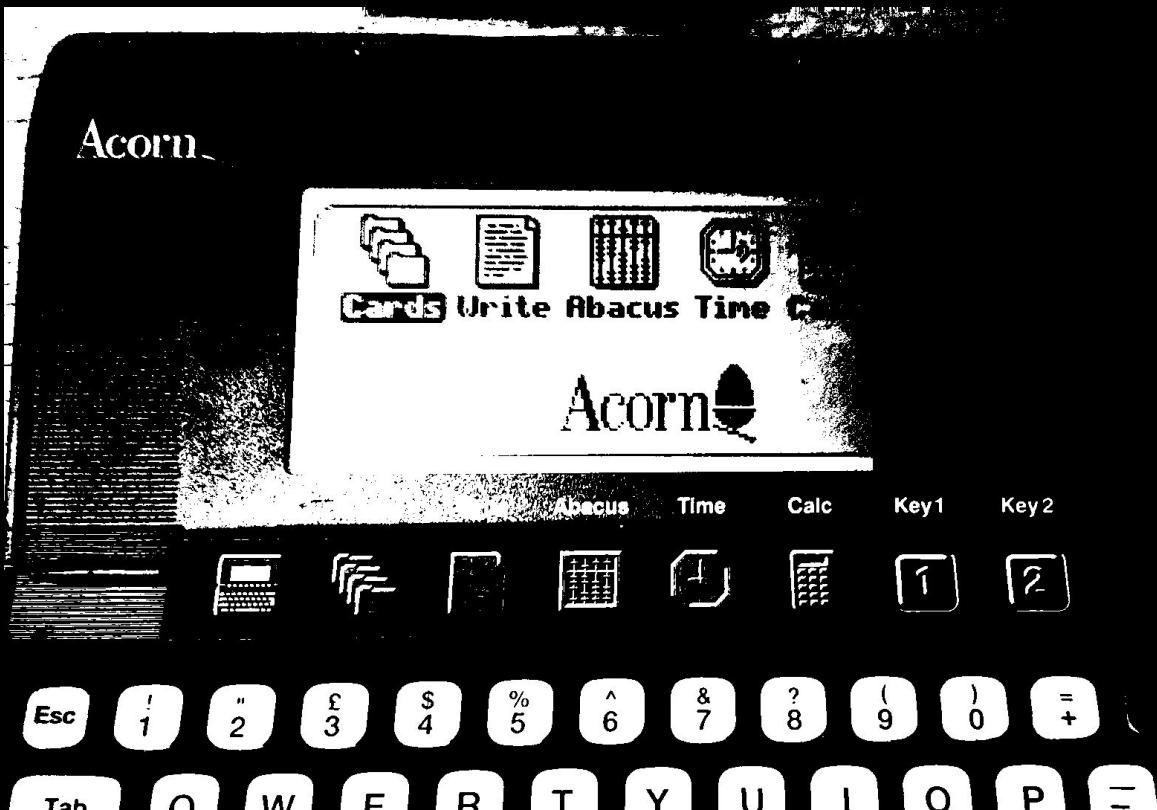


Festive (not so) favourites...

Advent of Beeb Games is back!



My (ever expanding) portable obsession...



So, how does it all work?

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Views	295	↓
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Channel analytics

Current subscribers **2,280**
+16 in last 28 days

Summary

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Top content

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A bright spark: getting ideas



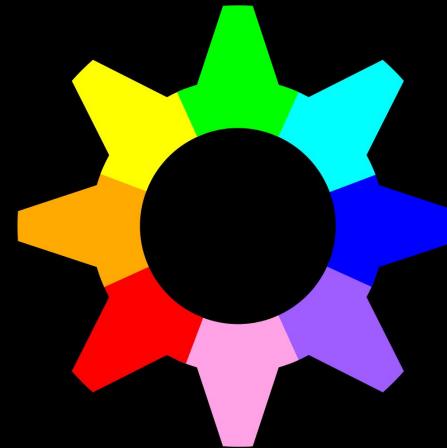
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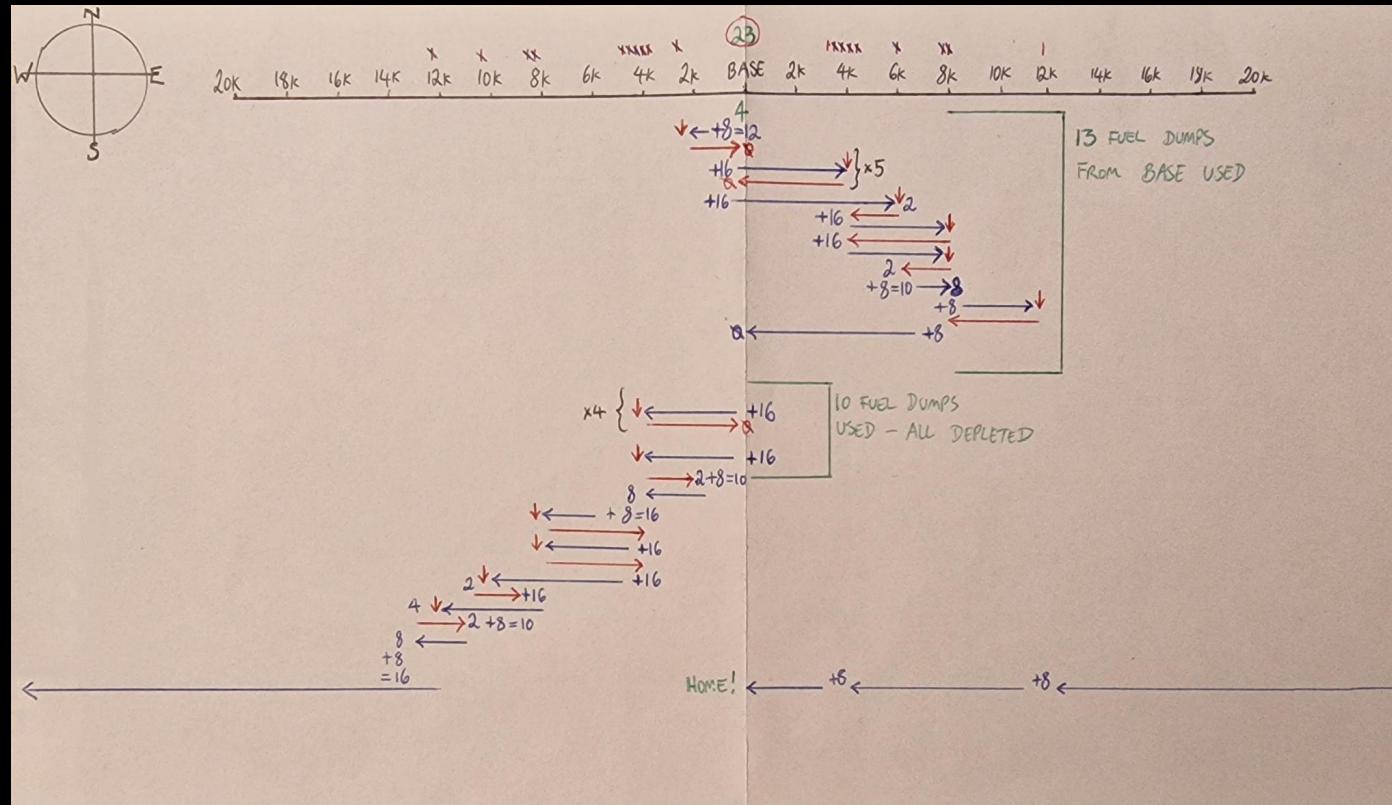
LAN Party 2025!



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The optional bit: scripting

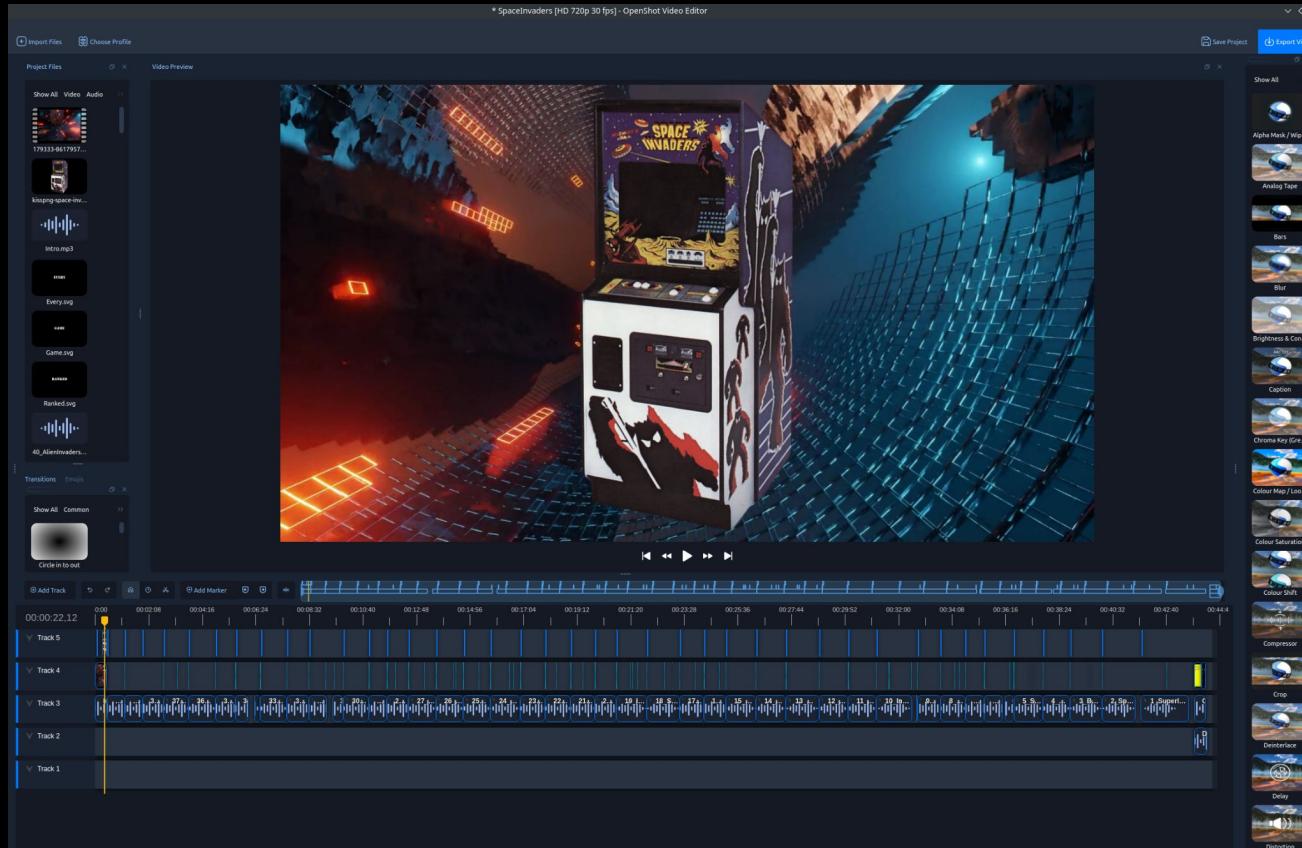


The not-optional bit: recording

A collage of images illustrating the concept of recording in computer memory:

- Workshop Scene:** A photograph showing several people in a workshop or hobby room, focused on electronic equipment and computers.
- Beeb Memory Map:** A hand-drawn diagram titled "BEEB MEMORY MAP (Simplified!)". It shows a vertical stack of memory blocks: "O.S." (red), "PROGRAM" (pink), "VARIABLES" (green), "SCREEN MEMORY" (blue), and "LOMEM" (yellow). A green circle highlights the "PROGRAM" and "VARIABLES" blocks. A wavy arrow labeled "TOP" points downwards from the top of the stack.
- Space Invaders Game:** A screenshot of the classic video game Space Invaders. The screen shows the player's score of 8310 and the high score of 0000. The game board features a grid of alien invaders and a row of player ships at the bottom.

The hard yards: editing!



Light at the end of the tunnel: rendering



Now or never: publishing

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