



You are now the proud owner of a Soda Slam arcade machine! Both DSM Arcade and the Alan-1 team have worked hard to ensure that it is the best possible arcade game that will bring you years of enjoyment and profits. Built in the USA, it has been designed and built to the highest possible quality standards.

To ensure top operation for that time it is in your possession, refer to this manual for general maintenance and any repair needs.

We've had so much fun building this. We hope you have fun playing it too. We appreciate your purchase and wish you many years of happy gaming for all who play Soda Slam!

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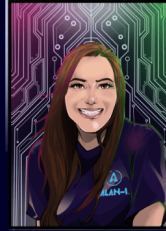
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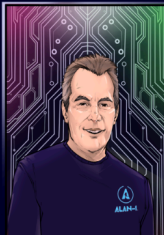
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SAFETY

Read This Manual!

This manual contains important information about your Alan-1 game machine, including details to prevent any injury to yourself, your employees, and your players. If followed properly, this advice will also help you prevent any damage to your valuable new game.

Alan-1 Inc. is not responsible for any operation or modifications that are outside of the game's original design, as delivered.

Transporting The Game

Due to the height and weight of the Soda Slam game machine, along with its delicate electronic components, we advise great care when moving it, whether for short or distant transport.

Before moving it, ensure that the built-in casters have been raised to prevent catching on any raised surfaces. **We recommend a minimum of two people to move the machine at all times.** Avoid any rough handling. If transporting on a truck, use proper soft packing on all of the edges when applying moving straps, otherwise it can cause severe damage to the game cabinet during transport.

If there are any game issues after moving or transport, we recommend that you check the various cables and components, which may have come loose from the movement.

Power and Grounding

Take care to avoid electrical shock. This game comes with a standard 3-prong power cord. *Do not cut off or defeat the grounding prong of the power plug!* This creates a safety hazard that could harm yourself or your guests.

On rare occasion, the power cord may fail. It is replaceable. ***Never use a damaged power cord!*** Replace it immediately. (See the “Power Requirements” subsection under “Product Specifications.”) We recommend that you plug this game into a surge suppressor.

Always power off and unplug the unit before any servicing or making adjustments unless otherwise instructed by an Alan-1 or other authorized service technician. Installing new or repairing existing components while the power is on can damage crucial components, thus voiding the game's warranty.



Water

Keep this game away from water and water sources. Do not clean it with running water.

We recommend installing against a wall with a small amount of clearance, so that the ventilation ports are not accessible to spills and sprays, but also to allow for proper ventilation and air circulation. If the unit sustains any water damage, cease using it immediately and unplug the AC power.

Monitor

The monitor contains no user serviceable parts. Only trained service technicians should attempt to service the display. If the tips in this manual do not help in solving any display issues, contact the service department at the distributor you purchased the game from for assistance.

Connectors

Connectors are often keyed and should only connect one way in these instances. When servicing the machine, ensure all connectors mate properly. If connectors do not slip in easily, do not force them as this will cause damage. Check for correct orientation. If any connector is damaged, discontinue use of the game until an authorized service technician can replace it.

Computer & Electronic Components

The computer board contains sensitive components, including an SSD hard drive. It and the other electronic components are *highly sensitive to electrostatic discharge (ESD)*.

Prior to servicing the computer or components, discharge your body from any ESD, as a discharge into a component can permanently damage the part that was touched. Also be mindful of certain articles of clothing that might generate ESD, such as jackets with wool lining.

Treat all components as fragile. Call your distributor's service department before servicing. Ask about warranty information as it relates to the PC and other electronic parts.

Cycle AC power on or off with the cabinet power switch instead of unplugging it directly from the PC motherboard.

Voltage

Each game is manufactured for a specific AC voltage to ensure its proper operation. On first use, verify that the AC voltage matches the game's specified voltage rating before activating the power. Games in North America should be set for 110V/120V.

Hazard To Epileptics

A small portion of the population has an epileptic condition that may cause seizures. Individuals affected by this condition may already avoid video games, however, some may have an undetected condition that can be triggered by certain visual patterns. The game cabinet has



front-facing, bright LED flashing lights, in addition to rapid, colorful action on-screen. *Playing this game, and watching others play this game, can potentially cause seizures.* If you, your children, or anyone else you are responsible for are diagnosed as epileptic; have suffered seizures in the past; are related to someone with epilepsy; or suspect that you may be epileptic or susceptible to seizures; you should consult your physician before playing this game.

Servicing

Only authorized service personnel should access the internal components of the game.

Disconnect power before servicing unless specifically directed otherwise. This game contains no isolation transformer and there are no power interlocks.

Be mindful of Electrostatic Discharge(ESD) as previously mentioned and refer to the section on connectors when dealing with the wiring and internal connections.

Keep the back door of the game on at all times. Leaving the back open may invite snooping customers to get inside of the game, where they might injure themselves, damage the game, or steal components.

In the event of a technical issue or failure, please refer to the TROUBLESHOOTING section of this manual. You can also visit the MCP support knowledge base on alan-1.com, or contact our customer support team at 1-844-44-ALAN1.

END OF LINE



PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

There are two models - Super Deluxe (with cans) and Deluxe (without the cans). Differences will be listed out under those names or SDX / DX.

Power Requirements

United States, Canada (ETL)

Voltage: 120VAC / 60 Hz

Operating AC Current: 1.5A

Power draw ranges from 420 watts operating; 600 watts peak.

Power cord is IEC type 13.

Operating Conditions

Temperature 50F - 104F (10C - 40C)

Humidity < 95%

Cabinet Dimensions - Super Deluxe

Shipping (Inches)	Installed (Inches)
Pallet #1: 65" x 80" x 85" Weight: 721 lbs	Height- 108.25"
Pallet #2: 40" x 48" x 79", Weight: 97 lbs.	Width- 118.25"
Pallet #3: 40" x 48" x 79", Weight: 97 lbs.	Depth- 52.75"
	Weight: TBD

Cabinet Dimensions - Deluxe

Shipping (Inches)	Installed (Inches)
Height- 85"	Height- 108.25"
Width- 65"	Width- 78.25"
Depth- 80"	Depth- 52.75"
Weight: 721lbs.	Weight:



Monitor Specifications

65" 3840x2160p 4K UHD
Connection to PC: HDMI

I/O Board

Each Alan-1 game uses a custom-designed I/O board called the 400 i/oT. This board is the heart of what is called the Alan-1 Video Arcade System® (VAS). The VAS operates all controls and lighting. Modifying the i/oT board or any component of the VAS in any way will void your warranty.

Stress Testing

Each Alan-1 game undergoes stress testing as a part of the Quality Assurance (QA) process. This is done to ensure that the cabinets are up to professional standards where they can be operated on location for decades to come. Our stress testing includes:

- Once a cabinet is completed on the line, technicians check and ensure that all buttons light up and are responsive; ensure that the inputs (controls and coin door) works properly while also testing the outputs (the monitor, speakers, “cabinet toys”). There is a factory checklist that needs to be signed off by two individuals (line worker and a manager).
- Cabinets are then moved multiple times on their back wheels around the factory to ensure that they can withstand typical and practical wear-and-tear, then inspected and tested again to ensure that there are no issues. If there are, these are corrected at the factory and the game is fully tested again.
- The overall cabinet design that is being used for all Alan-1 cabinet models has been thoroughly tested and refined through location testing and shipping cabinets across the country, then making adjustments/corrections as needed, and applied to all future construction.



CABINET OVERVIEW

(SDX)



FIGURE 1. SODA SLAM! SUPER DELUXE - 2 PLAYER CABINET

CABINET OVERVIEW

(DX)



Figure 2. SODA SLAM DELUXE 2-PLAYER CABINET

SETUP

Unpacking

The Cabinet will be fully intact and closed during transit. There will be plastic and foam layers around the VAS that will have to be taken off for use. Please do not use any sharp knives as you remove those layers, taking caution to not mar or scratch the cabinet. A razor can be used to cut the straps, but still take care to not injure yourself or the cabinet while removing those. Any actions which damage the VAS will void any warranty work pertaining to the art or outer image. You can find the KEYS inside of a coin reject slot, behind a sticker that says KEYS. The power cord will be located inside of the coin box, while the keys to the rear door will be inside of the top coin door near the top left.

If the cabinet arrives damaged from the shipping company, DO NOT SIGN FOR IT. Otherwise, you will be held responsible for the costs of repairing the damages. Contact your distributor salesperson ASAP to follow their corporate policies regarding damaged shipments.

Before you Begin:

- Use caution when unboxing-some parts may shift during transit.
- Have at least two people assisting with lifting or maneuvering heavy components. We recommend four for this game.
- Loose parts- Check for hardware, small pieces, or components that may have come loose inside
- Attached Instructions- Look for any documentation or install guides included in the wrapping.
- Protective Materials- Remove foam, wrap and cardboard carefully to avoid damaging the games surface or wires. We recommend using scissors for any cutting that you do, as razor blades have the potential to cut too deep through the packaging to damage the cabinet.

When unpackaging the game please be careful as the following items (the game's header and the marquee) are not fully attached to the game cabinet:





Location of header parts:



Logo Marquee

Header marquee is located in front on top of the LED tubes.

Header with artwork is located behind the machine



Header Print

The back support for the header is located here:



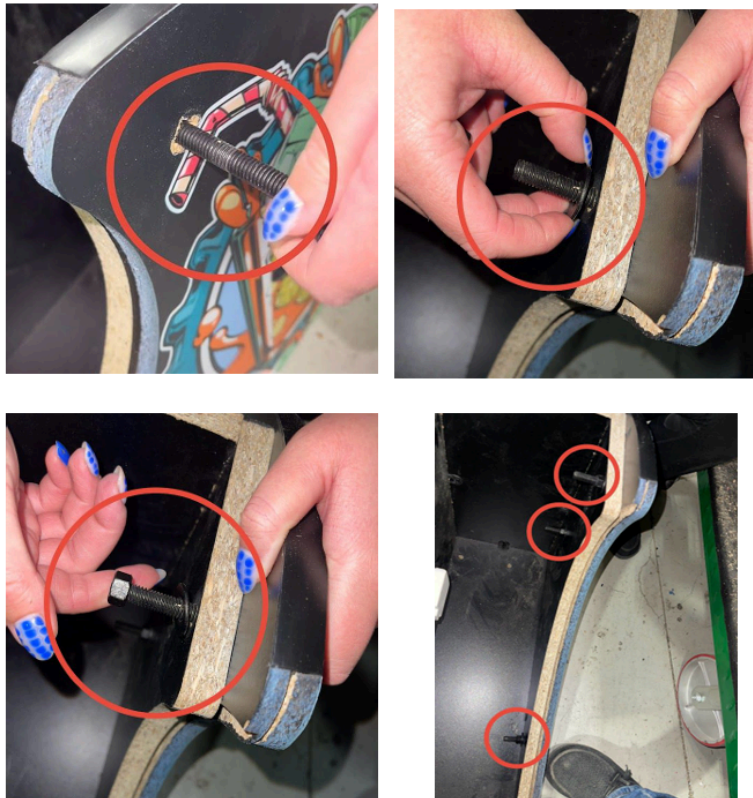
NOTE: The header base is located in between the machine and the LED tubes. The LED tubes are extremely fragile. When removing this item please be careful and remove it slowly to avoid any damage to the tubes.

Attaching the Header to the cabinet

Materials & Tools Needed:

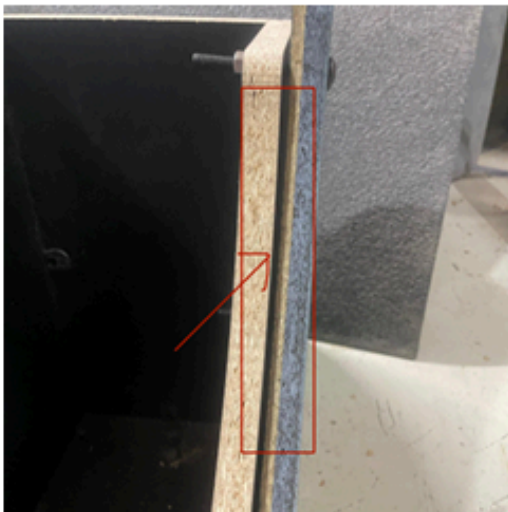
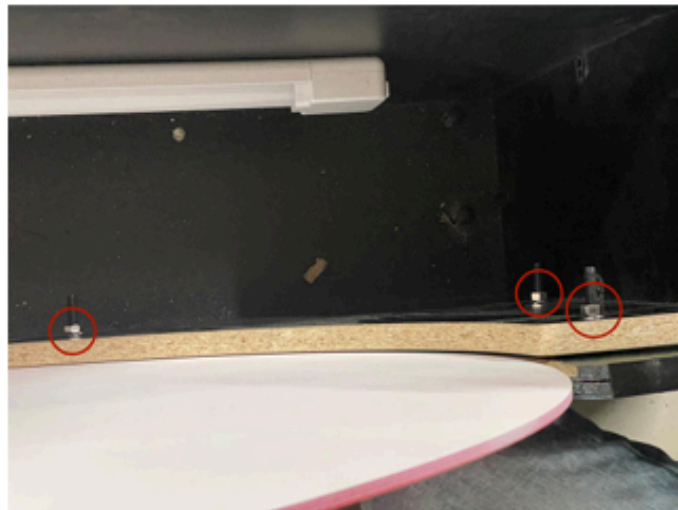
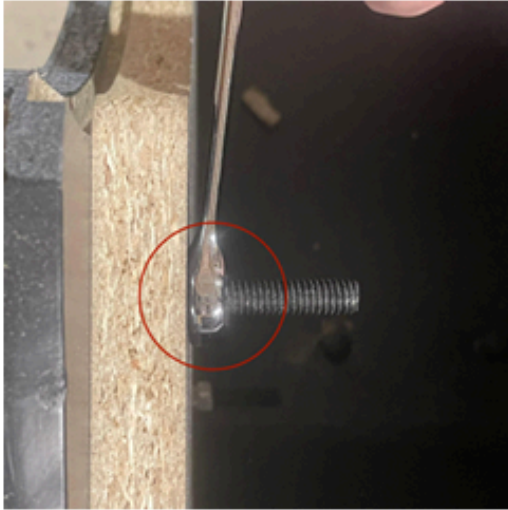
- Header Piece (1)
- Print Piece (1)
- $\frac{3}{8}$ x 3" Black Carriage Bolts (6)

- $\frac{3}{8}$ Black Nut (6)
- $\frac{3}{8}$ Black Washer (6)
- 9/16 wrench
- Step 1: Insert a $\frac{3}{8}$ x 3" bolt through the front of the print and into the header slot.
- Step 2: From the back, place the $\frac{3}{8}$ washer over the bolt, then thread a $\frac{3}{8}$ nut onto the bolt.
- Step 3: Using a 9/16 wrench, tighten the nut securely.
- Step 4: Repeat steps 1-3 for all six slots.



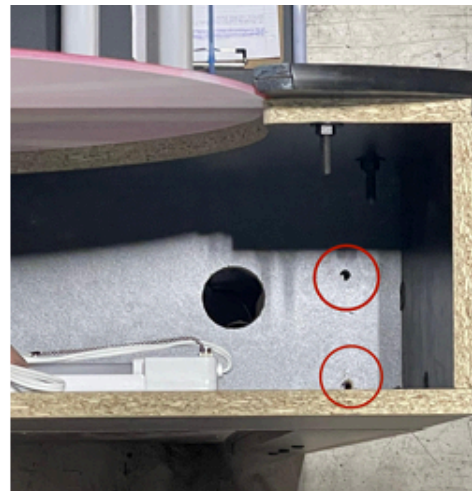
Attaching the Marquee:

- Step 1: Slightly loosen, using a 9/16 wrench, the bolt to create a small gap between the boards.
- Step 2: Carefully place and align the marquee within the gap.
- Step 3: Re-tighten the bolt, ensuring it's secure but not overtightened to avoid damaging the marquee.



Installing the Header:

- Step 1: Place the header securely on top of the machine.
- Step 2: Insert $\frac{3}{8}$ x 3" bolts into the four designated slots inside the header.
- Step 3: From the opposite side, attach a $\frac{3}{8}$ washer and then tighten a $\frac{3}{8}$ nut onto each bolt using a 9/16 wrench.
- Step 4: Connect the marquee light by plugging it into the brown extension cord.



Can Platform and Splash Assembly Instructions

1. Install Can Platforms:

- Position the black can platform next to the side panel.
- Insert a black 5/16" carriage bolt through the aligned hole.
- Place a washer and a nut on the bolt and tighten securely.
- Repeat this step on the opposite side.

2. Load Cans:

- Place your cans onto the installed platforms. This requires at least two people due to the size and weight of each can.
- Plug in the can wire harness to the LED port on the bottom of the can.

3. Install Small Splash Platform Blocks:

- Behind the printed piece of the header, insert the small black can splash platform blocks into the slats.
- Secure each block with two black 5/16" carriage bolts.
- Repeat on the opposite side.



**Can
Platform**



**Splash
Platform**



**Splash
Platform
Positioning**



**Can LED
Wire
Harness**



**Connecting
Harness to
LED Port**

4. Install Acrylic Splashes:

- Set the pink splash acrylic onto the Player 1 side.
- Set the blue splash acrylic onto the Player 2 side.

Important Note: The TV remote is in the middle box on Player 2's side behind the TV.



**Acrylic
Splash
Placement**



Remote

Inspection & Assembly Before Plugging In Your Game

-IMPORTANT!-

The game comes fully assembled. However, it is possible that certain items such as cables came loose during shipping. BEFORE PLUGGING THE GAME ON, PLEASE PERFORM THIS INSPECTION:

- Find the coin door keys behind a sticker that says KEYS on a coin reject slot
- Open the coin box door and retrieve the power cord.
- Unlock and remove the rear door (keys are hanging from the top coin door)
- **Check all internal components** such as the motherboard, power supply, etc., are properly seated and attached to the cabinet
- **Check all internal cables**, such as the wiring harnesses, audio cables, USB, etc. Verify that they're still inserted and tight. Some cables might have become dislodged during transport. These include:
 - HDMI cable between the mainboard and monitor
 - Power cable to the monitor
 - Power cable to the audio amplifier
 - Speaker cables (to upper speakers and the lower subwoofer)
 - USB cables between the mainboard and the I/O board
 - Edge connectors from I/O board to control panel. The 2P cabinet has one.
- Check for anything else obviously out of place
- Put all keys and spares in a safe place, according to whatever system you use.

If you have purchased a game that may have been originally shipped to or intended for a different country, STOP! Plugging it in and turning it on is dangerous due to voltage differences, and can damage the game.

Find the power distribution box at the bottom of the cabinet. (Wall power goes into this box from the outside.)

Unplug the game's wiring harness from the power distribution box. There are several connectors. Unscrew the power distribution box from the bottom of the game.

Turn the power distribution box over.

There will be a long, thin rectangular box screwed to one side of the outer case. On the bottom of this box is a red slider, set to either "115V" or "230V". If the voltage on the slider is different from the wall power in your country, slide it to the other side using a small screwdriver.

Reattach the power distribution box to the bottom of the game.

Plug the game's wiring harness back into the power distribution box.

Now you can plug in your game and power it up!

Wall Power Requirements

Soda Slam requires wall power at either 110-120VAC or 220-240VAC, depending on your country.

Power draw is approximately 420 watts continuous, 600 watts peak.



- Make sure you have at least Y more watts available on the circuit you're plugging it into, after taking everything else on that circuit into account, including the amperage.
- Do not overload the circuit. Circuits should also not be driven to the limit (i.e., do not operate a total of 20A worth of games on a 20A circuit, as this will wear out the breaker faster and may lead to circuit shorts or other power issues that can damage the game).

Do not cut off or defeat the grounding prong of the power plug! This creates a safety hazard.

Installing a Cashless Card Reader System

Soda Slam can ship with either a panel or a single standard 2-slot coin door. If the latter, the included coin mechs are set to 25¢ by default. **If you are using coins or intend on setting it to free play, you may skip this section.**

If your venue uses a card system, then Soda Slam is compatible with the UCL standard.

Each Soda Slam cabinet contains one 9-pin UCL connector per player.

All modern card systems should connect directly to the UCL connector, which provides power and ground to the card reader, as well as credit and ticket signals.

- **IMPORTANT:** When connecting a cashless system via the UCL connector, you must first disconnect the white COIN+ wire from the coin switch, and connect it to the white COIN+ wire on the UCL connector.
- If your card reader system does not support UCL, see the “Illustrations” section for a diagram of the UCL harness, which will provide the power and signals you must tap into.

We recommend that card readers be installed on the coin doors. Suzo Happ sells upper coin doors with mounting holes for different types of card readers:

- https://na.suzohapp.com/products/coin_doors/42-3145-10
- https://na.suzohapp.com/products/coin_doors/42-3145-03

Smaller card readers can be installed directly on the upper control panel. ***Do not drill without checking clearances underneath first!*** There are fans mounted underneath the upper control panel and drilling might easily damage them.

Need help? Please visit the MCP support knowledge base on alan-1.com, or contact our customer support team at 1-844-44-ALAN1.

Network Setup

Soda Slam can connect to the internet for free online leaderboards, updates, remote operator access, and MLeS connectivity in one of two ways:

- Wired (Ethernet)
- Wireless (WiFi)

For WIRED connectivity:

- Remove the back door of the game machine



- Locate the RJ-11 Ethernet port on the game computer. It looks like an oversized telephone jack
- Using a CAT5e or CAT6 ethernet cable, connect one end of the cable into the computer, then the other end into your switch or router.
- Within the service menu, the game should state “Internet connected” in the top right corner if a signal is present. If not, check your type of cable and your internet switch or router ports

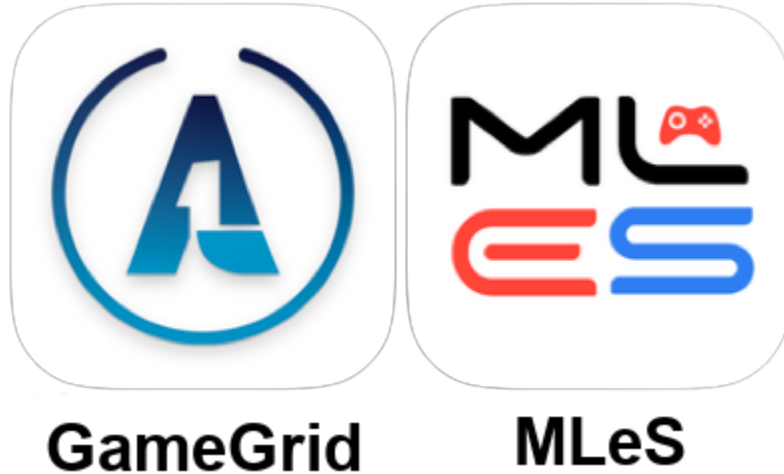
For WIRELESS (WiFi) connectivity

- Your game comes with a WiFi antenna that connects to the motherboard. Access this area by removing the backdoor.
- Ensure that the thin wires from this component are properly connected. If not due to shaking during transport, they are fastened using a small screwdriver.
- **Please refer to the next section below for full wireless setup by using the Alan-1 Game Grid App**



Alan-1 Operator Account & WiFi Setup

There are two mobile apps that will allow you to get the most out of your game, and engage players like no arcade game has ever done before. One is called Major League eSports (MLeS) and will be discussed later in this manual. The other crucial app is the Alan-1 Game Grid App.



The Game Grid app allows you to register your warranty with Alan-1, connect your game to the internet, monitor your game's performance, set up weekly tournaments, and engage with your players to bring them back. Available for both iPhone [iTunes/Apple] & Android [on the Google Play store] devices, and is required for you to be able to access these features. It will also allow you remote access to the game to register your location for customers to find you, run tournaments, see which registered MLeS users have played the game, monitor the audits, and get a FREE first time advertising run paid for by Alan-1.

You can find the app by searching for “alan-1 operators app” or “alan-1 game grid app” in either store. Here are direct links, while on the next page you will find QR codes to download (for offline versions of this manual)

Android: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.alan1.operator>

Apple/iOS: <https://apps.apple.com/in/app/alan-1-operators/id6473255460>

Find QR Codes on the next page.



Apple/iOS QR Code:



Android/Google Play QR Code:



Once you have downloaded the app, setting up your account is simple. Follow the instructions within the app such as entering your name, location, email, and password. Required fields will be given a *.

After all of the info is entered, follow these steps to connect your cabinet to the internet:

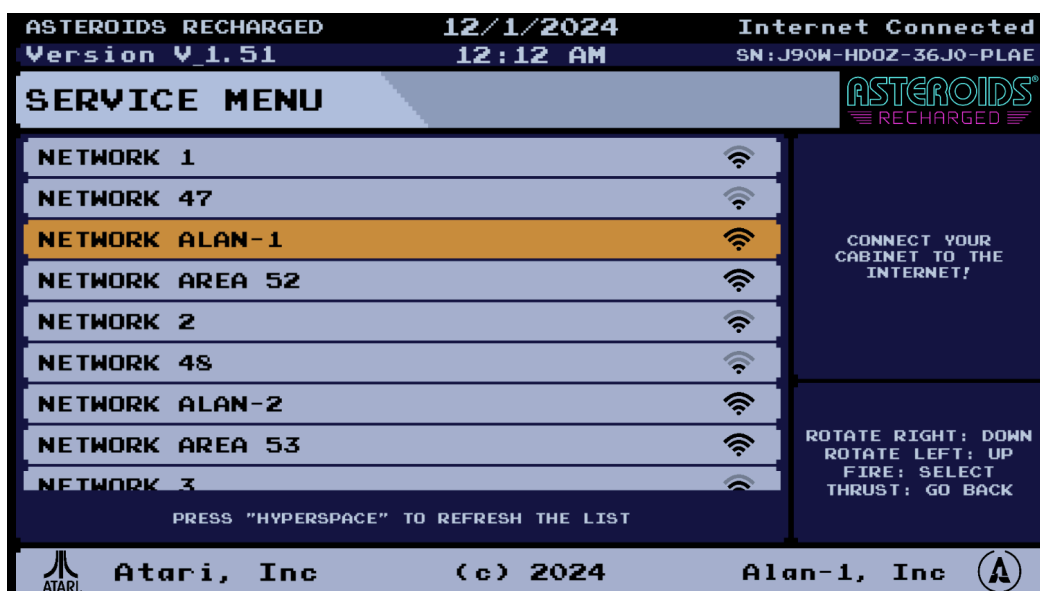
Step 1: With the game on, go to the service menu by opening up the top coin door, and set the service switch to the ON position.

Step 2: Select Online HQ, then select WiFi Setup

Step 3: Select the network that you want to connect to, if the network that you want isn't listed, refresh the list by pressing Select (Joystick #3, or second one from the right, as indicated on the screen)

Note that the WiFi screens are from Asteroids Recharged, but the functionality is the same.

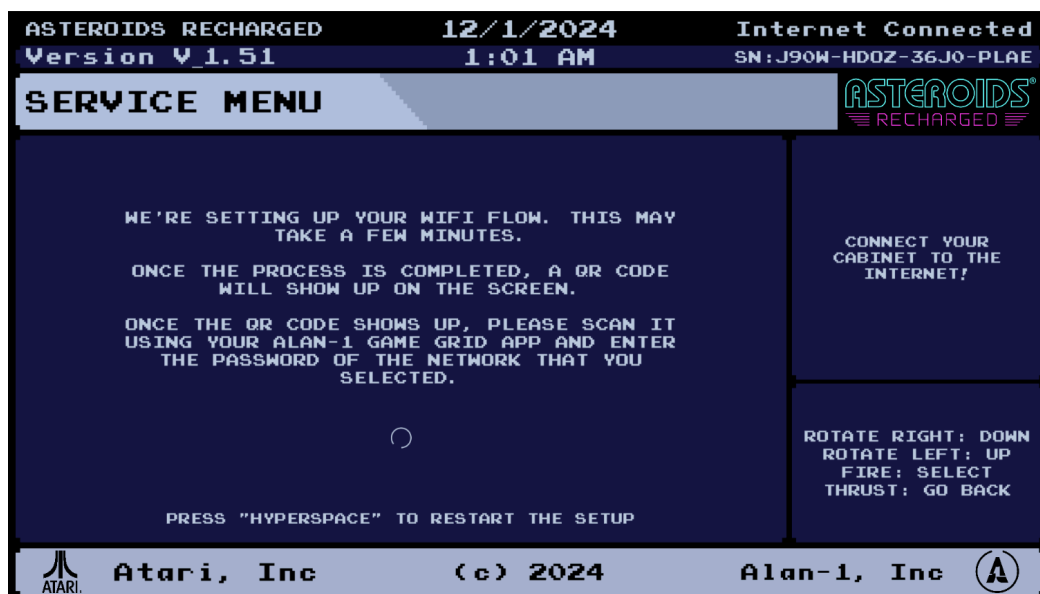


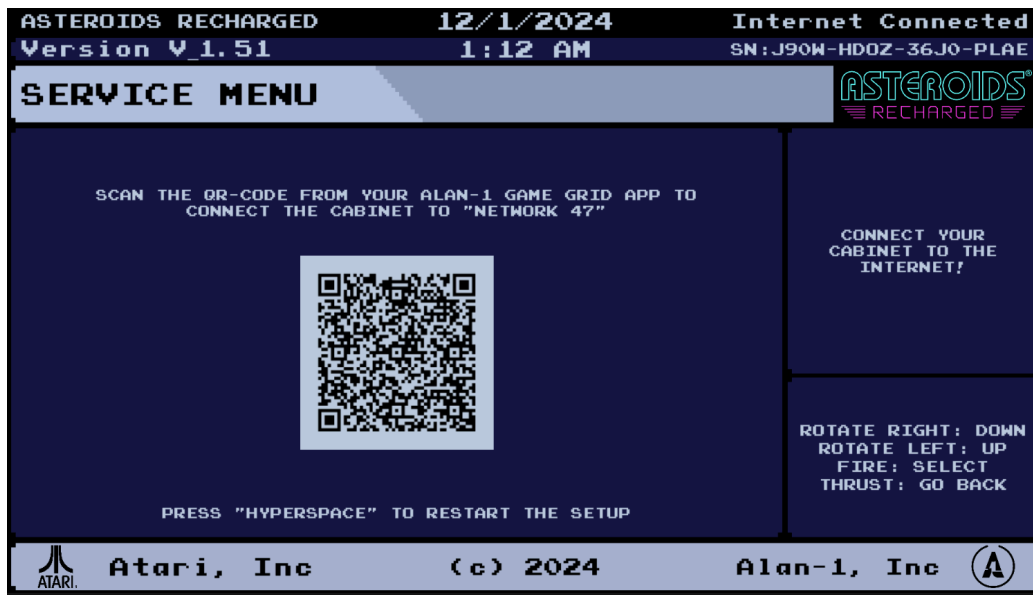


The WiFi menu when it sees active networks

Step 4: Give your Cabinet a few minutes to process the network setup, and once it's done, a QR Code will show up on your screen.

Scan the QR Code from your **Alan-1 Game Grid App**. Upon scanning, the Alan-1 app will prompt you to enter the password of the Wifi network that you selected on the cabinet. This allows you to enter the info using your phone's keyboard instead of navigating it using the arcade buttons.





Step 5: Once you enter the wifi password, your Alan-1 Game grid app will transfer that info to the cabinet automatically, and the cabinet will automatically attempt to connect to the wifi network that you've selected, using the password that you provided.

If the connection is successful, you'll get a success message on the cabinet, if the connection failed, you'll have the option to either try again or quit. In case of failure, the cabinet will show you the network name and the password, so that you double check whether the credentials were correct or not.

Pricing Setup

Soda Slam will be set to accept four coins or credits by default, but you can set it to what fits with your venue's needs. You can find more details on this and other settings down in the GAME OPTIONS section.

To access the pricing setting, follow these easy steps:

1. With the game powered on, use the key to open the control panel on the LEFT player side.
2. Inside of the panel on the right hand side above the 400 iO/T board, you will see a switch & a button, like this:

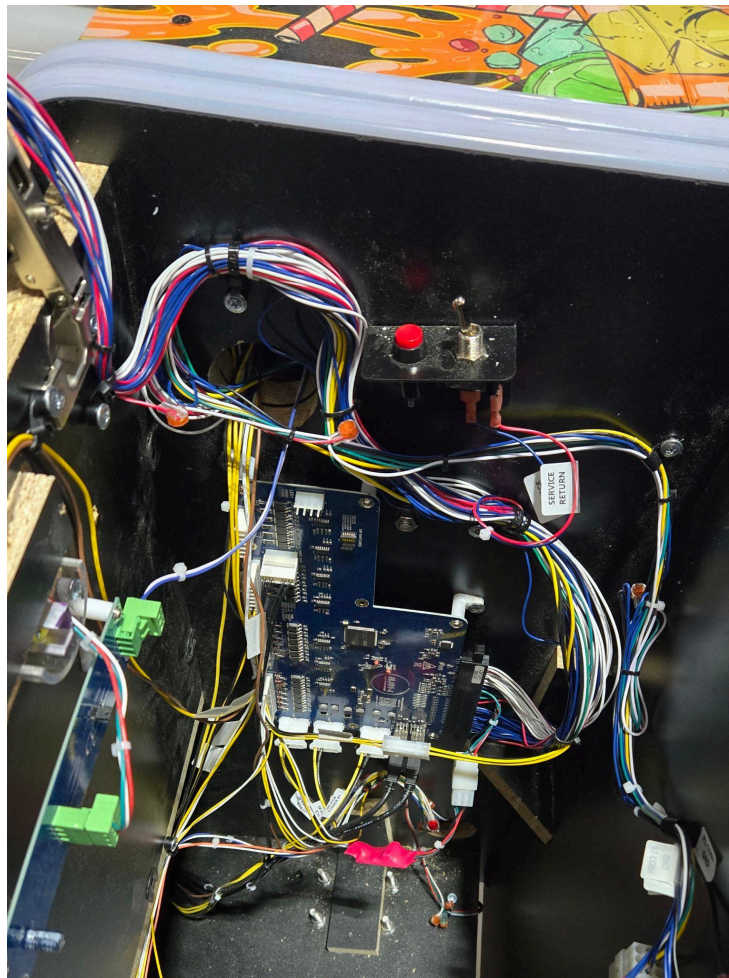


FIGURE 2. SETTINGS MENU TOGGLE SWITCH

3. Flick the Operator Menu switch to the UP position. On the monitor screen, it will load the Operator Menu.
4. Lower the control panel and use the joysticks as shown on the screen to navigate to the Pricing Options menu

5. On this submenu, you can first set the game to one of the following options: Currency | Swipes | Taps | Tokens | Coins
6. Units per start credit can then be set to your desired amount.
7. If the game is going to be set to free play, you may also set it on this page
8. If you wish to use Bonus Pricing, you can also set this up here under that setting.
9. In the unlikely event that the game accumulates a large number of 'phantom credits,' you can clear this by selecting the CLEAR CREDITS option.

Initial Testing

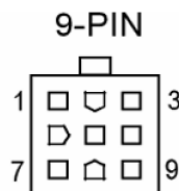
After the game has been set up with these settings, it is highly recommended that you test the game to ensure that it is accepting payment and that all of the controls for each player are working properly. You can also go into the service menu and navigate to the TESTS to verify that all of the switches are operating correctly.

Dollar Bill Acceptor/Validators (DBA or DBV)

Soda Slam ships with wiring in place for handling a variety of DBA/DBV devices should you wish to install them into the game. A small adapter is included with the machine, but compatibility can vary upon what type of DBA/DBV you are using. If you need any assistance with the installation of your DBA with the machine, please visit the MCP support knowledge base on alan-1.com, or contact our customer support team at 1-844-44-ALAN1.

To install a 120V DBA into your game, please take the following steps:

Locate the 9-pin molex connector. It looks like this:

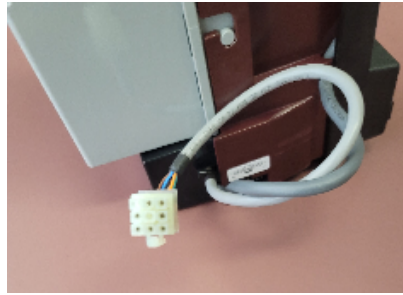


9-pin 120 VAC or 24 VAC connector
(view of connector)

9-pin Mating Connector

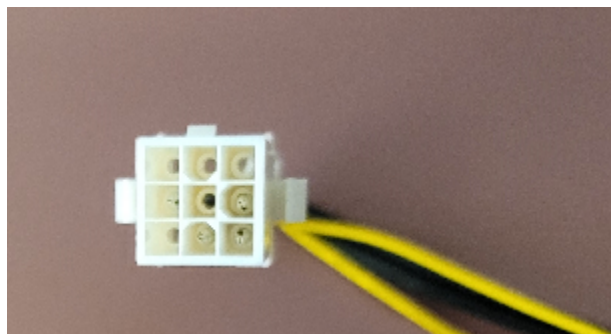
Amp Mate-N-Lock 9-pin P/N 172169-1
Amp Female Pin P/N 170362-1



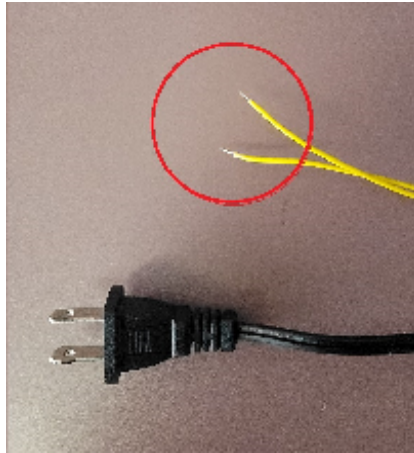


Pin	9-Pin Connector Function
1	120 VAC Neutral Inhibit
2	120 VAC Neutral Enable
3	120 VAC Hot Enable
4	120 VAC Hot Power (Not used for 24 VAC model)
5	No Connection (24 VAC hot for 24 VAC model)
6	120 VAC Neutral Power (24VAC Neutral for 24 VAC model)
7	Bill Acceptor Relay Contact (Normally Open)
8	Bill Acceptor Relay Contact (Common)
9	No Connection

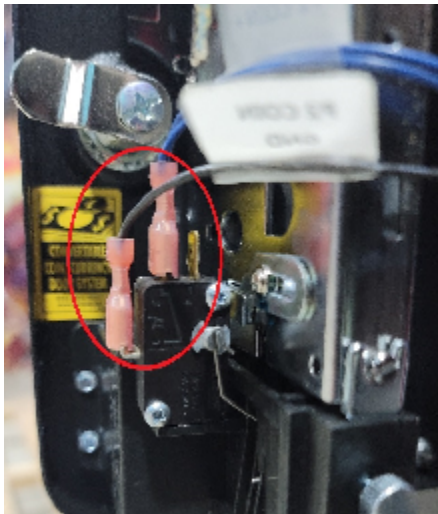
Every Alan-1 Arcade cabinet comes with a bill validator installation harness; you can find it inside of the coin box. This plugs directly into the connector described above, shown here:



The other end of this harness has a 120V plug, and a pair of yellow wires with bare ends:



Plug the 120V in a standard receptacle; then connect the bare ends of the yellow wires to the normally open and common leaves on the coin door microswitch, as seen here:



The yellow wires need to connect to the existing wires as seen above; their polarity does not matter. It is best to use a clean wire splice connector, such as crimp-on quick connects, and not anything that would leave exposed wires, as that could result in grounding issues and/or an electrical shock to you or your customers.

Note that the provided wire harness does NOT support additional “inhibit” and “enable” signals that the DBA itself may support. These additional signals can be overridden by a DIP switch setting on the DBA. Often, DBAs will have an option for always enabling the validator. If the extra enable and inhibit signals are desired for the operation of the DBA, you will need to create your own installation harness, or see if the DBA manufacturer provides one, to satisfy that need.

Redemption Notice & Installation

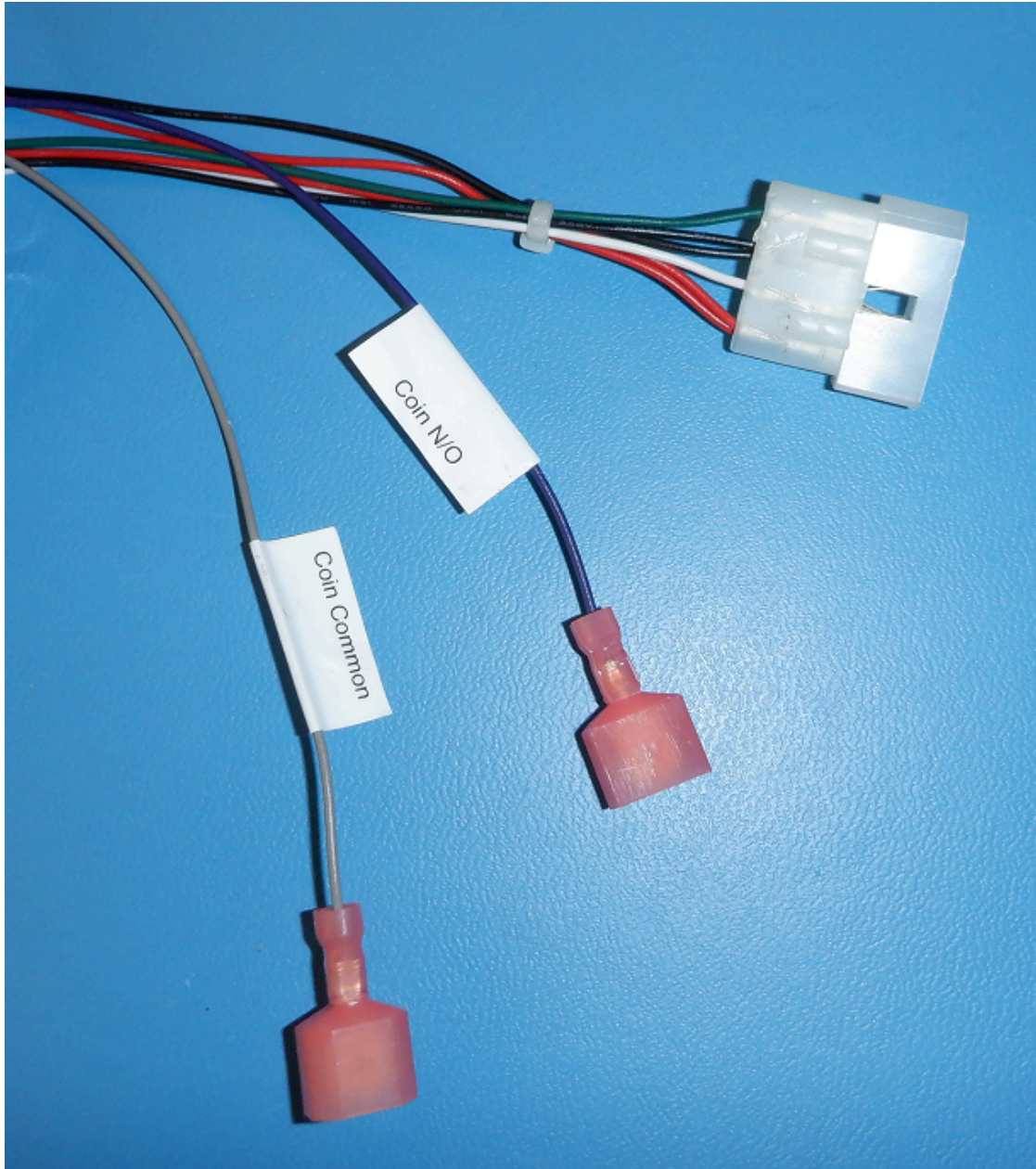
Each Alan-1 game supports ticket redemption through card swipe readers (also known as

eTickets). Systems do not ship with physical ticket dispensers, nor do they have a slot for such. While it is possible to add one, this is not supported by the warranty. Do so at your own risk!

Please see pg. 74 in Illustrations & Diagrams for a diagram on the Ticket Dispenser Wire Harness Adapter.

To install the adapter and a physical ticket dispenser, please follow these steps:

Ticket dispensers, whether new or old, have a standard 4-pin connector for dispensing tickets. Modern ticket dispensers can also be used to coin-up a game and have two connectors for tying into the coin-up signal of the arcade game as seen below:

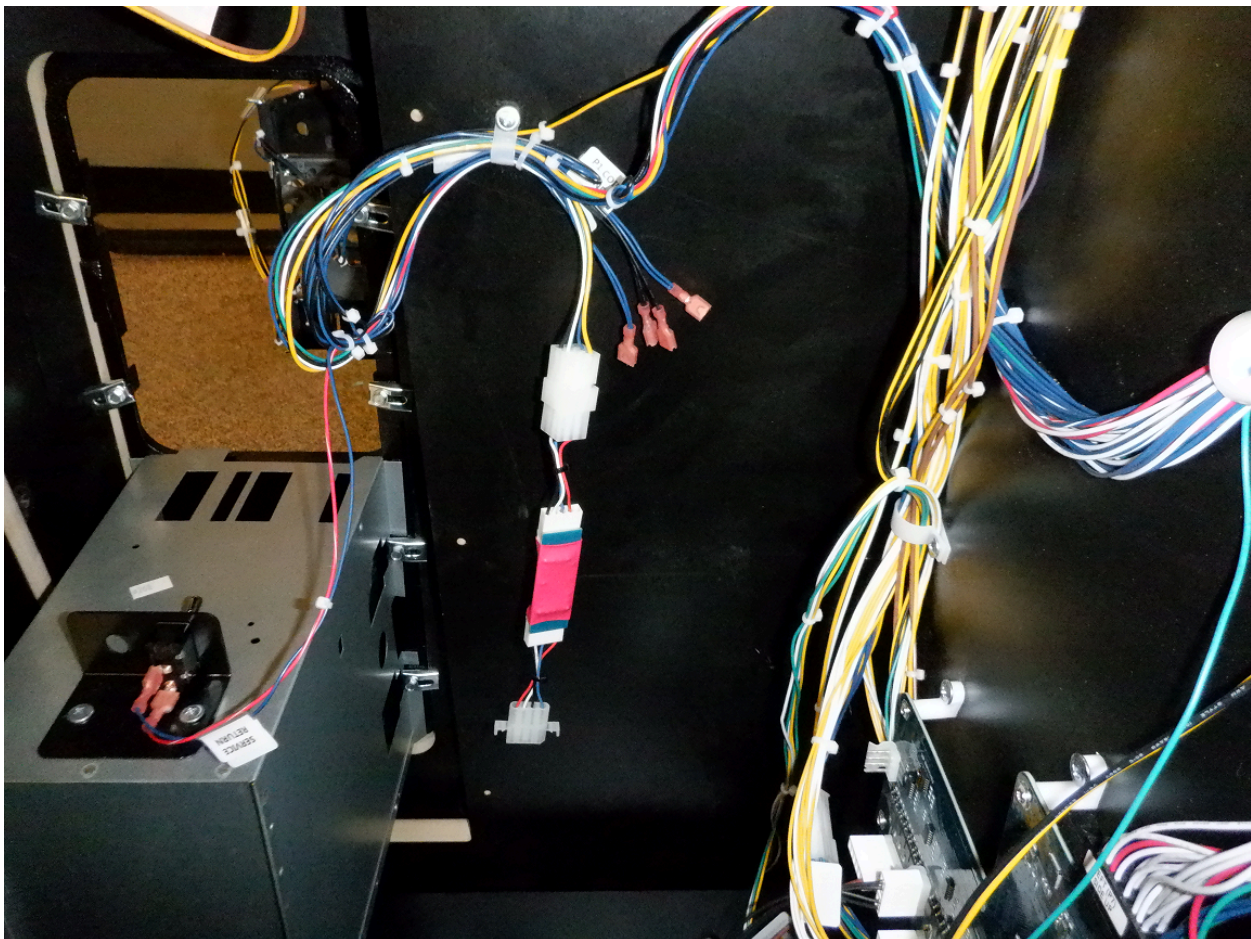


Alan-1 arcade cabinets are shipped with signal amplifiers that interface with ticket dispensers to ensure a wide range of compatibility with both mechanical and digital ticket dispensers. A signal amplifier will ship for each player. For example, if an Alan-1 arcade cabinet is 2 players, two signal amplifiers will ship with the game. A 3 player cabinet will have 3.

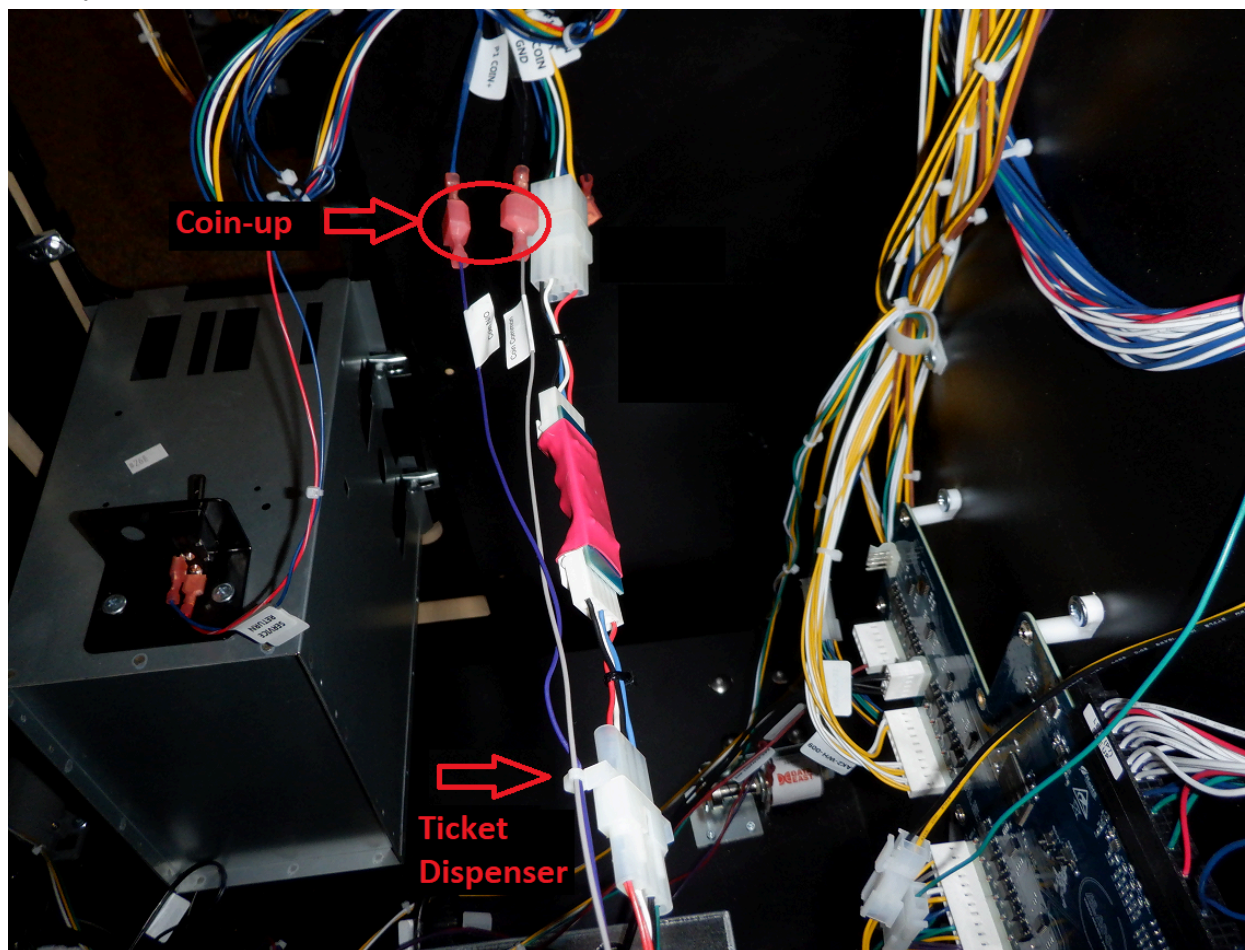
Here is an example of an Alan-1 signal amplifier:



To install a ticket dispenser in an Alan-1 arcade cabinet, plug the signal amplifier into the UCL plug in the back of the machine. There is a UCL plug for each player and is labelled as such:



The ticket dispenser's ticket functionality is enabled by connecting the 4-pin connector on the signal amplifier to the 4-pin connector on the ticket dispenser. If coin-up functionality is also desired, there are spare coin-up wires in the machine. The coin-up wires from the ticket dispenser may be tied directly to the spare arcade coin-up wires as shown below:



GAME DESCRIPTION

Soda Slam Overview

Soda Slam is a phenomenal new concept in arcade gaming that is already being called a classic by people who have played it.

The premise is simple: customers arrive with their empty glasses to your soda bar. With four soda tap levers in front of you (eight total for two players), pull them towards you to begin filling the glass. Get as close to the brim without spilling as possible for maximum points and serve as many customers as you can.

Over-filling the cup will cause a temporary freeze on that tap where the player cannot fill a cup. Once the cup stops blinking, then you can attempt a new fill. Only filling a small amount will have a similar effect. Filling between half-way and the top will reward points, with a “Perfect Pour” (perfectly to the top) earns the most points.

This version of the game was designed for FECs and has ticket redemption activated by default. If you wish, you can deactivate this and have your players just play for points. The game also features Alan-1’s Major League eSports (MLeS) app so that you can organize your own tournaments or players can participate in nationwide tournaments. MLeS also allows players to track both their scores and achievements; it also informs them when someone else beats their score at your location, incentivizing them to return to your venue and reclaim the score.

Game Features

Originally crafted by DSM Arcade, our two companies joined forces to create a game that was designed for FECs. Here’s everything you get with the game:

- A fantastically colorful game cabinet that screams “play me!” Available with and without the giant prop cans.
- Unique gameplay that stands above the normal fray of video that will bring people back
- Two side-by-side stations, each rocking four “tap” joysticks for fast-paced, soda-slinging fun.
- Feel the action with a cabinet knocker that thumps, dual rumble motors that shake things up, and dazzling LED tubes that pulse and glow with every tap you pull.
- A massive 70” LG 4K UHD monitor that delivers crisp, jaw-dropping graphics to keep players glued to the screen.
- Switch between Redemption Mode for prize-hungry crowds or Amusement Mode for pure entertainment
- Wired or Wireless online connectivity with NO fees
- Climb the ranks with online leaderboards and unlock achievements via the Major League eSports (MLeS) app—check it out at <https://mles.com>
- An official comic book that serves as a promotional tool and great redemption center prize
- Multiple stages with different backgrounds



Starting The Game

Starting the game is the same whether it is set to take coins, swipe cards, or free play. **There is no Start Button**; simply insert the credit and pull on any one of the joysticks to the player station where the credit was inserted. The game will load and a countdown will begin in case a second player wishes to join. Note that a second player can only join during this countdown phase and not in the middle of gameplay.

Competitive Fun

We believe that the heart of the best games is competition. Where Soda Slam! supports two players at a time, we've added a feature that bolsters competitive play - buckets full of ice cubes!

During gameplay, achieve a "Perfect" pour into a glass, and it will send an ice cube from your bucket over to the opponent's side. This will add volume to one of their glasses, which can result in an overflow, giving you a slight advantage in the battle for points.

Achieve multiple perfect pours in a row to really set the stage on fire - metaphorically speaking.



MAJOR LEAGUE ESPORTS

Unlock a deeper game experience with MLeS

Alan-1 has created a mobile app that brings the excitement of eSports to arcades. Called Major League eSports (MLeS), this free mobile app is available for both Android & Apple iOS devices. Every Alan-1 arcade game supports MLeS, which unlocks a richer game experience. This includes nationwide leaderboards & tournaments, League Points, the ability to continue your game from where you left off, and the app will notify a player when someone has defeated their scores!

Soda Slam advertises the MLeS app in the attract mode, which your customers can download by scanning the QR code, then downloading the app.

After credits have been inserted into the game and any player pushes start, the screen will display a QR code for each player to use. Go into the app, press the QR code button in the upper right corner of the phone screen, then scan the code on the game screen. It will log you in and begin tracking your progress.

We highly recommend that you promote this feature, as we designed it to drive repeat play to your location. You will also be able to set up your own local tournaments by using the Alan-1 Game Grid app that was used for connecting WiFi and registering the cabinet.

Direct link: <https://mles.com/download>

You can also access the link on your phone by scanning this QR code:



A PARTNER IN YOUR SUCCESS

Driving Traffic To Your Venue

Alan-1 wants to do more than just make a game for your collection - we want to help drive customers to your venue. As long as you register in the Alan-1 Game Grid App (see below), and you keep your game connected to the internet, your venue will be listed for FREE on the following websites:

- Videogames.org
- Alan-1.com
- Mles.com
- The MLeS mobile app

The MLeS app mentioned on the previous page will be a fantastic tool for driving this traffic. Aside from the game finder map, it also has these replay features:

- Notifications about the week's new nationwide tournaments and any local tournaments that you organize through the app.
- Notifications on defeated scores, mentioning YOUR venue so they can return and reclaim those points
- League Points to participate in the annual Alan-1 World Championships.
- Continue from the last wave you had reached

The Alan-1 Game Grid App

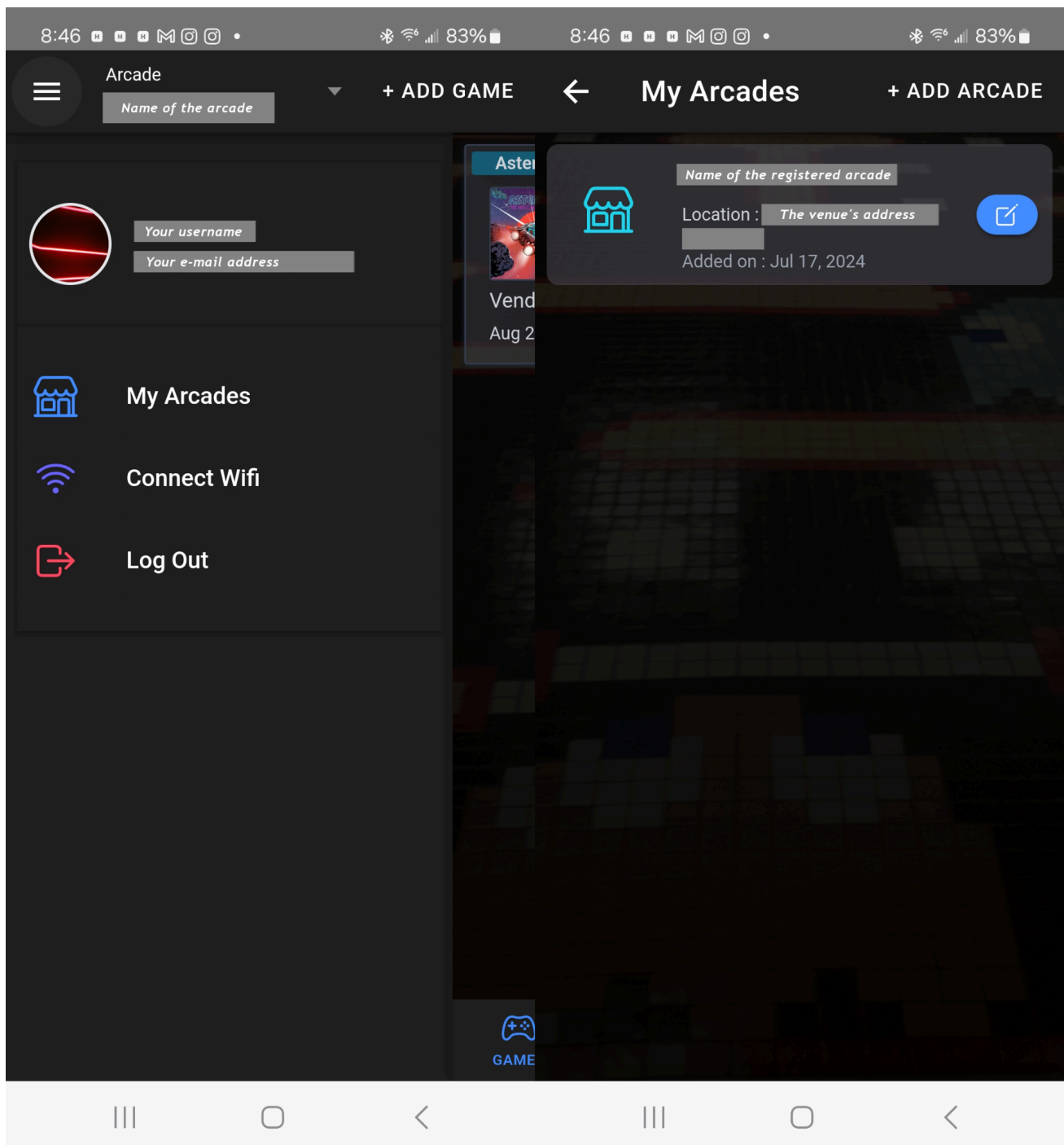
A separate mobile app (available for both Android and iOS devices) called the Alan-1 Game Grid app. Registering the game here is free and it unlocks the following benefits:

- Available software updates, which may include bug fixes and content
- Remote technical alerts (if a component doesn't get used after multiple games, etc.)
- Warranty information for any Alan-1 made game
- Shows all MLeS players who have played on your machine so you can do targeted advertising to them.
- Send custom messages to those MLeS players to draw them back (tournament invitations, upcoming events/parties, etc.)
- Participate in a special, one-time Alan-1 promotion (details below)

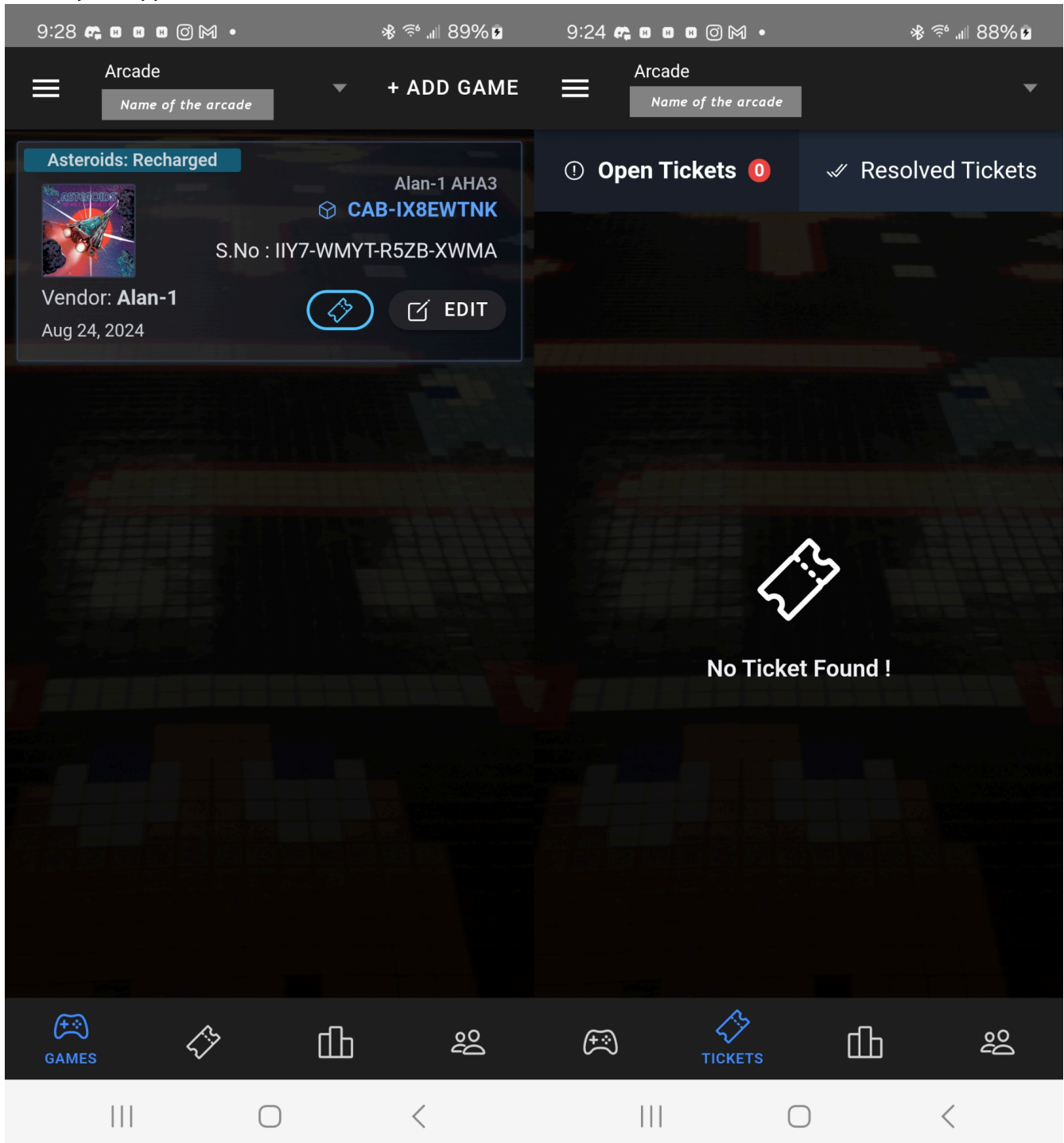
Upon registration, it will require your venue's name & location. With that and the machine being online, Alan-1 will set up a special social media promotion - localized on Instagram and Facebook, touting that the machine is now at your location, **at no cost to you.**



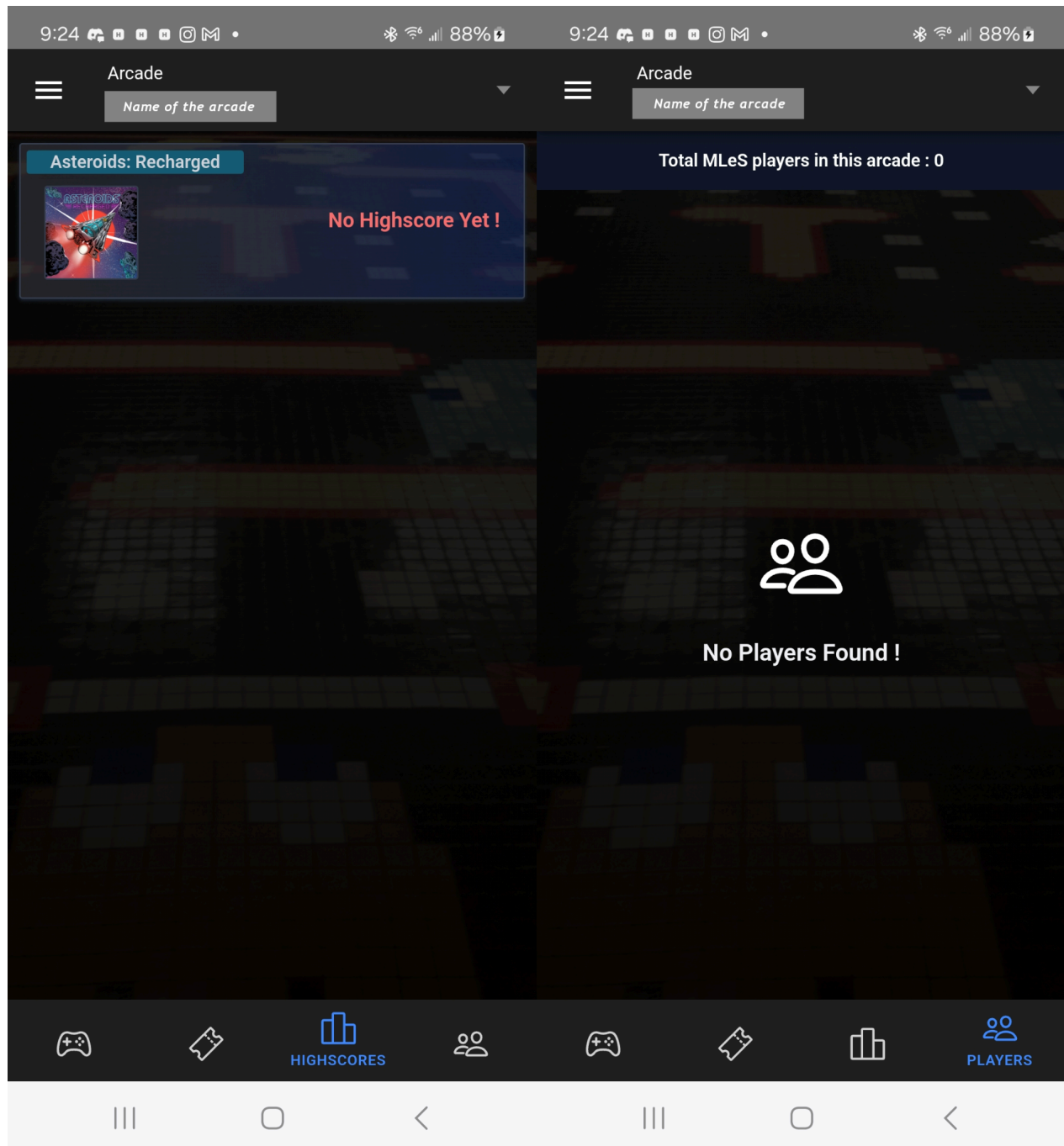
The Game Grid Operators App is straightforward to use. Here are some screenshots that allow you to familiarize yourself with the layout. You can register and track Alan-1 games across multiple locations under My Arcades. Connect WiFi is for connecting the machine to the internet in the event that there is an issue doing so on the machine itself.



The 'Games' icon at the bottom will show all Alan-1 games within the location, along with details. Tickets are for any technical issues that the game has reported. You can switch between Open & Resolved. While this shows Asteroids Recharged, it will show *Soda Slam Coca-Cola* in your app.



The High Scores icon shows a list of the latest high scores logged onto the game. The Players icon shows which registered MLeS players have played on your machine at the location.



GAME OPTIONS

Accessing The Operator Menu

To access the various operator settings, follow these easy steps:

1. With the game powered on, use the key to open the left player control panel top coin door
2. Inside of the control panel on the right, you will see a switch & a button, like this:

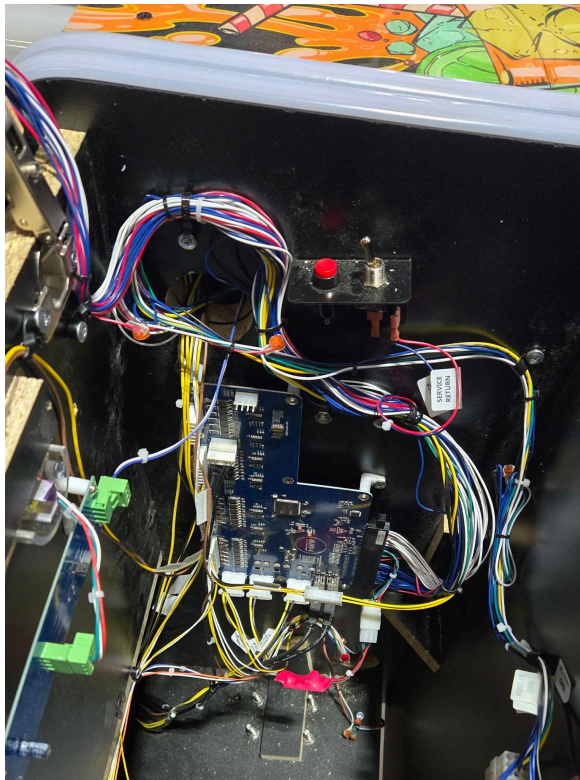


FIGURE 3. SETTINGS MENU TOGGLE SWITCH. Note that in the shipped version, wires will be attached to the red button.

3. Flick the Operator Menu switch to the UP position. On the monitor screen, it will load the Operator Menu.
4. The game should now be inside of the Operator Menu. Use the controls as labeled on the right hand side to navigate the menu
5. To LEAVE the Operator Menu, flick the switch back down. All your settings will have been saved.
6. Navigation controls are mentioned on the right hand side of the screen.



FIGURE 4. MAIN SETTINGS MENU

Pricing Options

Main Option	Available Settings (Left most column is the default)				
Credits Display Mode	Coins	Currency	Swipes	Taps	Tokens
Credit Unit Value	1	Min = 0.05; Max= 100. Adjusts in values of 0.25, except below 1. A unit represents 1 input action by the player to insert money into the game. For example, 1 swipe = 1 unit, 1 coin insertion = 1 unit, 1 token insertion = 1 unit, 1 dollar bill inserted = 1 unit.			
Credit Unit Currency	\$	Decides the currency branding for the Credit Unit Value. Also can display €, £, or ¥			
Units Per Start Credit	1	For the general game cost. Values: 1-30			
Player grouping	Pooled	Independent	Determines how coin slots or readers are treated, if there is a 1 slot/reader for all or		

Is Free Play			<i>per player.</i>
	Off	On	Pressing start will launch the game w/o any payment needed.
Bonus Pricing	Off	On	<i>If turned on, the player can gain extra free credit units when inserting excess credit units in bulk.</i>
<i>If Bonus Pricing is ON:</i> Bonus Credit Units Required	Set bonus value, 1-30. Default is 1	<i>How many additional credit units are needed to award a bonus credit.</i>	
<i>If Bonus Pricing is ON:</i> Bonus Credit Units Awarded	Set bonus value, 1-30. Default is 1	<i>How many credit units are awarded if the required amount is reached.</i>	
Service Credits Value	Set value, 1-100. Default is 1	<i>What the value of a service credit is when the service credit button is pressed.</i>	
Grant Service Credits	<i>If this is chosen, it performs the same function as pushing the physical service credit button. This will instantly add whatever the service credit value is to available players each time it is pressed</i>		
Clear active credits	<i>If selected, then all credits on the virtual/game counters will be reset to 0. This is for any glitches of “phantom credits” caused by a short or other rare issue.</i>		





FIGURE 5. GAME OPTIONS PAGE

Game Options

Main Option	Available Settings (Left column is default)				
Game Volume	100	Set between 0-100. Percentage value of the in-game volume. Note that the game at max (100) is loud but not loud enough to blow the speakers.			
Attract Mode Volume	100	Set between 0-100. Percentage value of the attract mode sound.			
Attract sound frequency	Always	Occa sional	Seldom	Never	<i>How often does sound play during the attract mode?</i>
Game duration in seconds	60	Set between 10-1200 seconds. Changes in increments of five.			

QR Code Advertising	On	Off	If set to on, shows a QR code during the attract mode that players can scan with their phone to download the free MLeS scoring app.
MLeS Features	On	Off	If set to on, allows players to use the Major League eSports (MLeS) app in the game to track their scores/achievements.
Ticket Redemption Mode	Off	On	<i>Enable or Disable ticket redemption. This will also enable other menus if active(marked by a * below). Only eTickets through a card swipe system are available.</i>
*Tickets per "OK" Pour	Set bonus value, 0-100. Default is 1	<i>Set the amount of tickets that can be awarded for an "OK" level pour. Moves in increments of 0.25</i>	
*Tickets per "Good" Pour	Set bonus value, 0-100. Default is 2	<i>Set the amount of tickets that can be awarded for an "GOOD" level pour. Moves in increments of 0.25</i>	
*Tickets per "Awesome" Pour	Set bonus value, 0-100. Default is 3	<i>Set the amount of tickets that can be awarded for an "AWESOME" level pour. Moves in increments of 0.25</i>	
*Tickets per "Perfect" Pour	Set bonus value, 0-100. Default is 4	<i>Set the amount of tickets that can be awarded for an "PERFECT" level pour. Moves in increments of 0.25</i>	
*Perfect Pours Streak Multiplier	Set bonus value, 0-100. Default is 4	<i>Rewards extra tickets for Perfect Pour streaks. The extra tickets earned are the streak count multiplied by this value.</i>	
*Mercy Tickets	Set bonus value, 0-10,000. Default is 0	<i>Decides the amount of tickets the player gets just for playing the game, regardless of how much they score. Additional tickets will be added to this amount.</i>	
*Regular Tickets Upper Limit	Set bonus value, 0-10,000. Default is 100	<i>Decides the max number of tickets a player can win within a single game session (excluding the bonus tickets award)</i>	
*Bonus tickets	ON	OFF	<i>When turned on, players will receive additional tickets upon reaching a high score (based on the next option setting)</i>
*Bonus Tickets Score	Set bonus value, 0-100 million. Default is 10000	<i>How many points are required to earn the Bonus Award. Max is 100 million</i>	
*Bonus tickets awarded	Set bonus value, 0-10,000. Default is 50	<i>Sets the amount of tickets that the player wins if they achieve the high score set in "Bonus Tickets Score."</i>	



Light Toys Brightness	Set value: 20-100 Default: 100	<i>Percentage value of the LED brightness intensity. Min = 20%</i>
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Online HQ

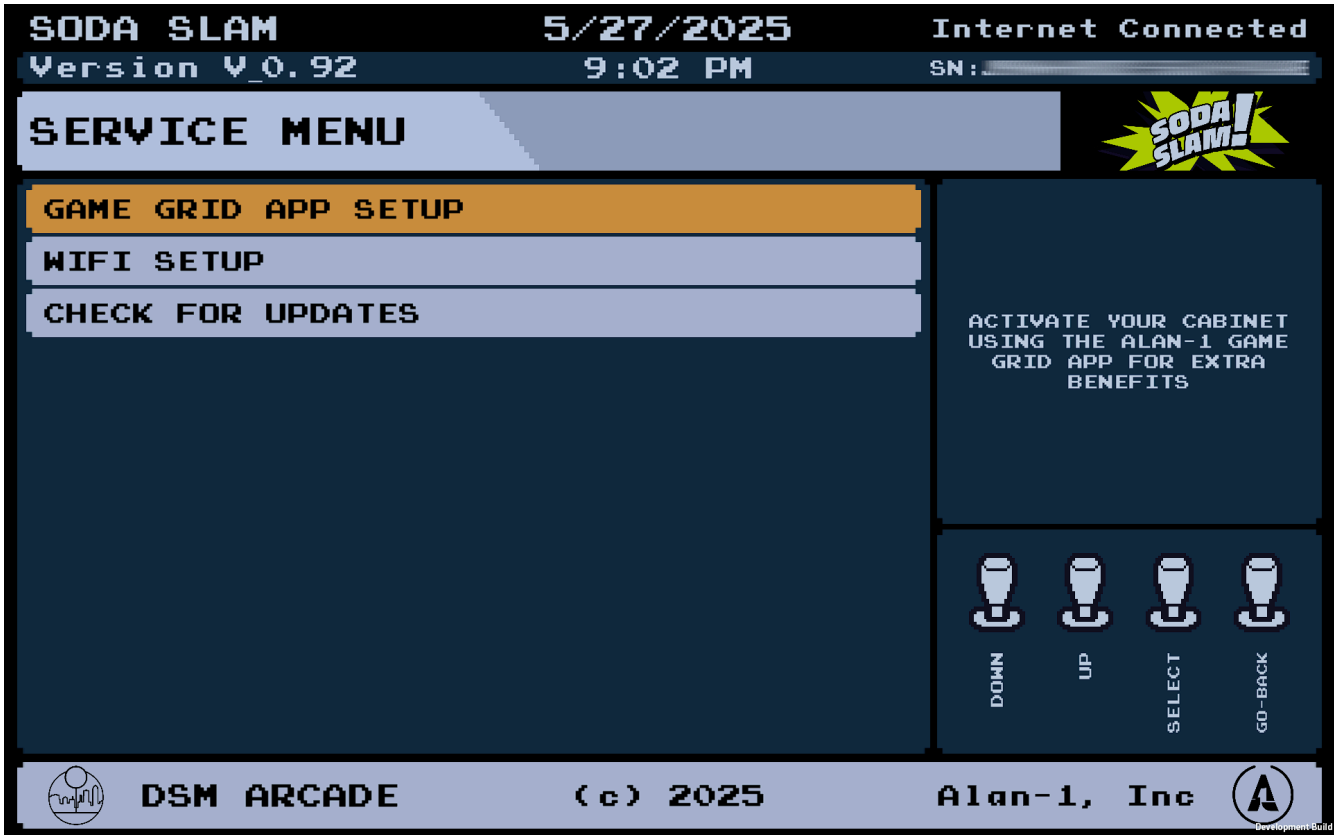


FIGURE 6. ONLINE HQ PAGE

Main Option		Available Settings
Operators App Setup		Choose this to get a QR code that will allow you to download the Alan-1 Operators app where you can easily set up the online connectivity on location and register your cabinet. You must register within 15 days of receipt to get full warranty coverage.
WiFi Setup		Connect your cabinet to the internet. You must use the Alan-1 Game Grid app to send the network information to your machine, but you must activate this first for the cabinet to generate a WiFi hotspot that your phone can connect to.
Check Updates	for	Select this to check for and install the latest software. The MCP operator app will notify you when an update is available.



Tests



FIGURE 7. PLAYER INPUT TESTING PAGE

Main Option		Available Settings (Left-most column is default)
Test Cabinet Toys		Select this to then trigger the highlighted test on: Control panel lights; Door lights; Fans; Knocker; Marquee lights; Monitor lights; Small shaker motor; Large shaker motor.
Test Input	Player	An interactive method for testing the inputs on the control panel
Test dispenser	tickets	Shows how many tickets are detected as dispensing



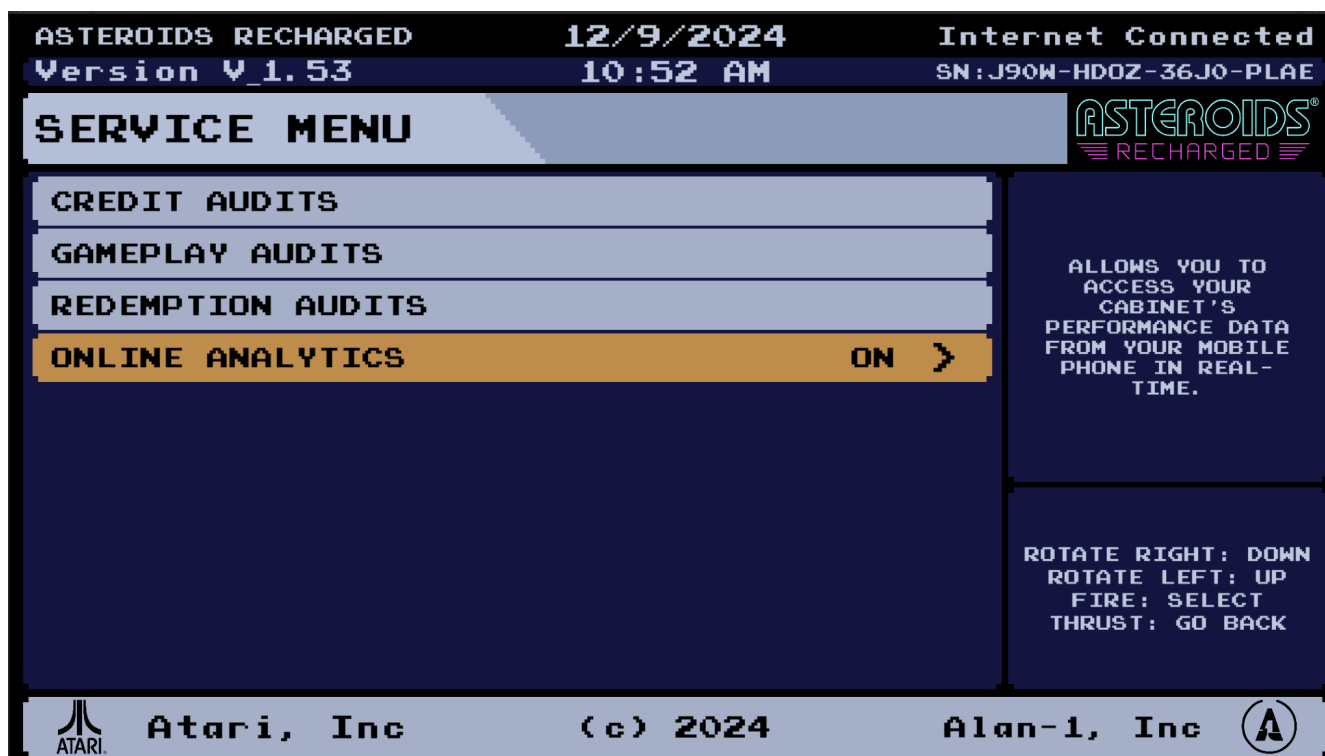
Resets



FIGURE 8. RESETS PAGE

Main Option	Available Settings (Left-most column is default)
Reset local leaderboard	<i>Resets the game’s own leaderboard with a randomly generated one</i>
Reset Settings to Default	<i>Puts all game settings back to their default values</i>
Factory Reset	<i>Replenish the game to factory defaults on all options. Does not back up data</i>





GAME AUDITS

Select the audit you wish to view and press FIRE to look at the stats

Main Option	Available Settings (Left-most column is default)		
Credit Audits	Detailed audit information on the game's earnings		
Gameplay Audits	How many times has Player 1 Start been pressed? Player 2? Average game time? How often do players continue? How many hours/minutes has the game been on?		
Redemption Audits	Total tickets awarded; Total Play cost in; Percent paid out; Average tickets per game		
Online analytics	On	Off	Provides real-time analytics data over the internet, allowing Alan-1 to improve the game. NOTE: If this option is turned OFF, analytics records will still be processed and stored locally (up to a certain limit, then they are deleted) so you still have records. If the option is re-enabled, then any local analytics will be uploaded.



General Cabinet Info

Select this option to view some basic information on your cabinet, including the serial number, cabinet model, and the firmware version.



Exiting the Settings Menu

All options are saved when selected. To return to the game, please flip the SETTINGS MENU TOGGLE SWITCH as shown in figure 3 to GAME MODE. The system will reboot into the game with the settings selected saved.

MAINTENANCE

Regular Maintenance – Read First

In addition to following the safety tips found earlier in this manual, the best way to prevent issues with your game is to regularly perform machine maintenance. We recommend these basics:

- Clean the TV by using a micro-fiber cloth and warm water (wring the cloth out of water until its almost dry first). The TV does not use glass
- Keep the control panel clean and any vents clean from dust
- Occasionally clean the interior of the machine by blowing it out with a can of air and/or cleaning it with a vacuum

Inspecting Your Game

A quick visual glance over the machine might be able to identify any obvious issues, such as an LED light being out, or trouble with the monitor. An in-depth inspection will be required to identify any serious issues however.

Be sure to check the LED lighting, glass front, coin door, and control panel for anything that may be out of place, loose, or damaged. If a component such as a control or the monitor is no longer functioning, you may need to open the back door and see if any basic components such as a power or video cable have come detached from its socket. Note that a loose cable may look like it's inserted correctly but it is not, thus causing the component to malfunction.

In the case of the video or power cable to the monitor, the game can be on for reseating them. In any other instance, the power should be off to the cabinet to avoid potential electrical shock. Also take care to discharge any static from your body before touching the components.

Finally, play the games to ensure everything works correctly and all I/O functions are tested. Be sure to re-calibrate any controls and replace parts as needed.

Cleaning Requirements

This cabinet may be cleaned with any non-abrasive cleaner. Make sure that there is minimal to no water being used, as it can damage the wood beneath the vinyl. Absolutely no running water should come into contact with the machine as this may cause physical and technical issues with the integrity of the cabinet.

The interior of the cabinet should be vacuumed occasionally. Some games, due to their design, develop more clumps of dust and dirt and need to be cleaned more frequently than others. If there are visible “dust bunnies” coming out of the game fans on the front or cabinet vents on the back, it is time to vacuum the interior.



Much like the exterior, ensure no loose items are in the cabinet. This can cause a short or block the ventilation fans, which can cause more severe issues down the line. If your game is using coins, it is normal for a coin to accidentally bounce or fall outside of the coin mechanism system and into the cabinet. Remove these ASAP to prevent shorts.

To summarize:

- First, give your game a good visual safety inspection.
- Clean the cabinet's exterior; use a mild general-purpose cleaner.
- Only use a soft rag, such as a microfiber towel.
- Check and clean all cabinet vents and fans.
- The interior cabinet should be vacuumed occasionally.
- Compressed air to blow out any points where dust might accumulate into clumps
- Games should be played, and all I/O functions should be tested.
- Replace any parts as required.

Opening the Control Panel

Each player station can be accessed by unlocking the latch that is found on the upper left side of the control box. The hinged panel can then be raised up and access granted to the joysticks, rumble motors, and I/O board.

Basic Maintenance Items

Before performing one of these tasks, make sure that you have the proper tools in hand and have taken safety precautions.

Cleaning the cabinet

- The cabinet features both direct printed and vinyl artwork. Do not use abrasive cleaners to maintain the original vibrancy of the artwork as you clean the cabinet.
- Cleaning the LCD screen itself should be done using a light amount of warm water and a soft microfiber cloth OR a certified LCD screen cleaning solution.
- The LED tubes are made out of a plexiglass like material. They are best cleaned in the same way as the monitor.

Troubleshooting the 400 IOT

- Flip service switch to go to the Service Menu
- Navigate to the Tests Tab and enter it
- Test the functionality in question with the associated options

Control Panel joystick replacement



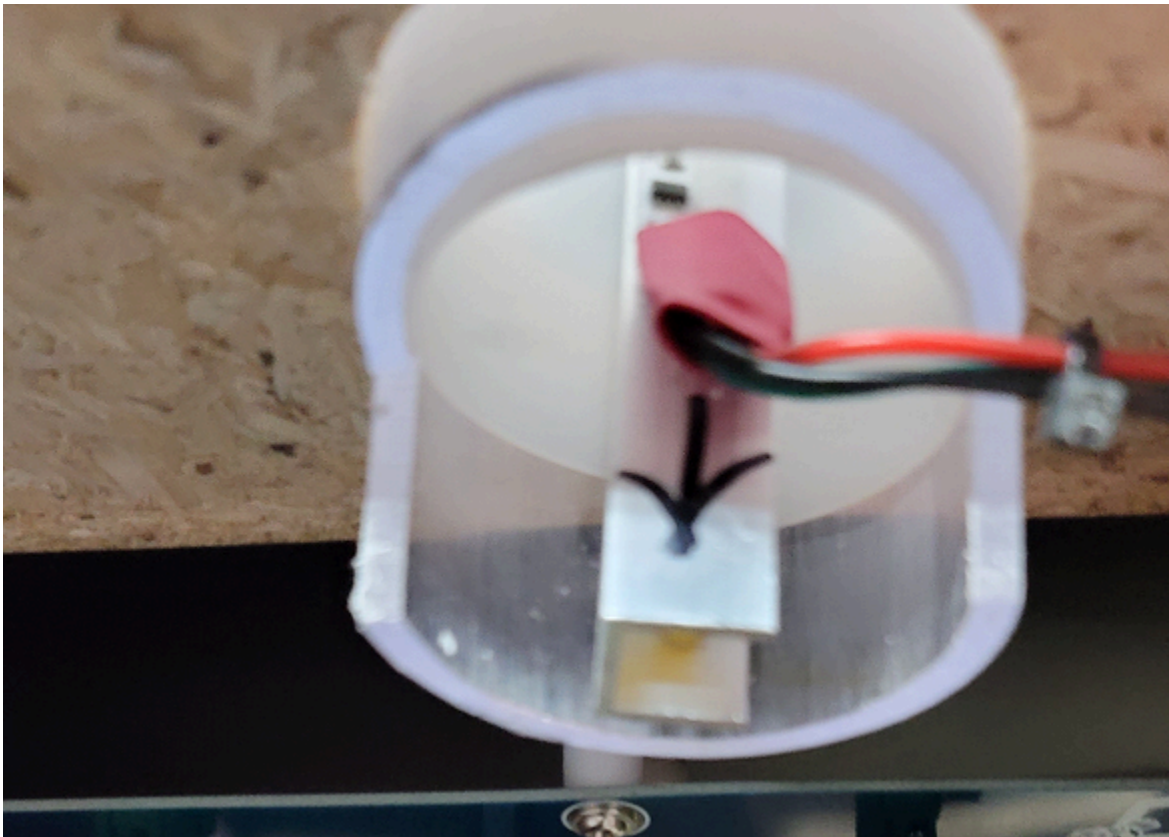
- Unlatch the control panel from the front of the machine (the latch is located on the upper left of the control panel). You also might be able to reach the latch by opening up the coin door and reaching for it.
- Once the latch is loose, the control panel will hinge away from the cabinet
- Find the joystick that needs to be replaced. Disconnect the two wires, making a note of their positions on the present switch.
- Loosen and remove the plastic nut that holds the button in place.
- It should pop out. Reverse the process with your replacement button to install the new one.

Replacing The LED tubes

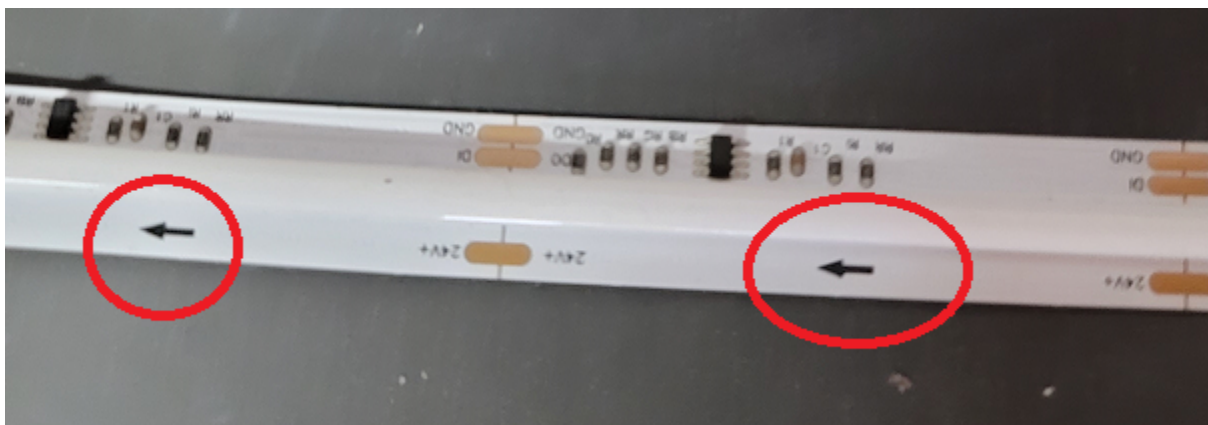
All eight of the LED tubes are easily replaced and can be swapped between locations. The direction of the tube is critical. Below are arrows showing the signal direction for each tube:



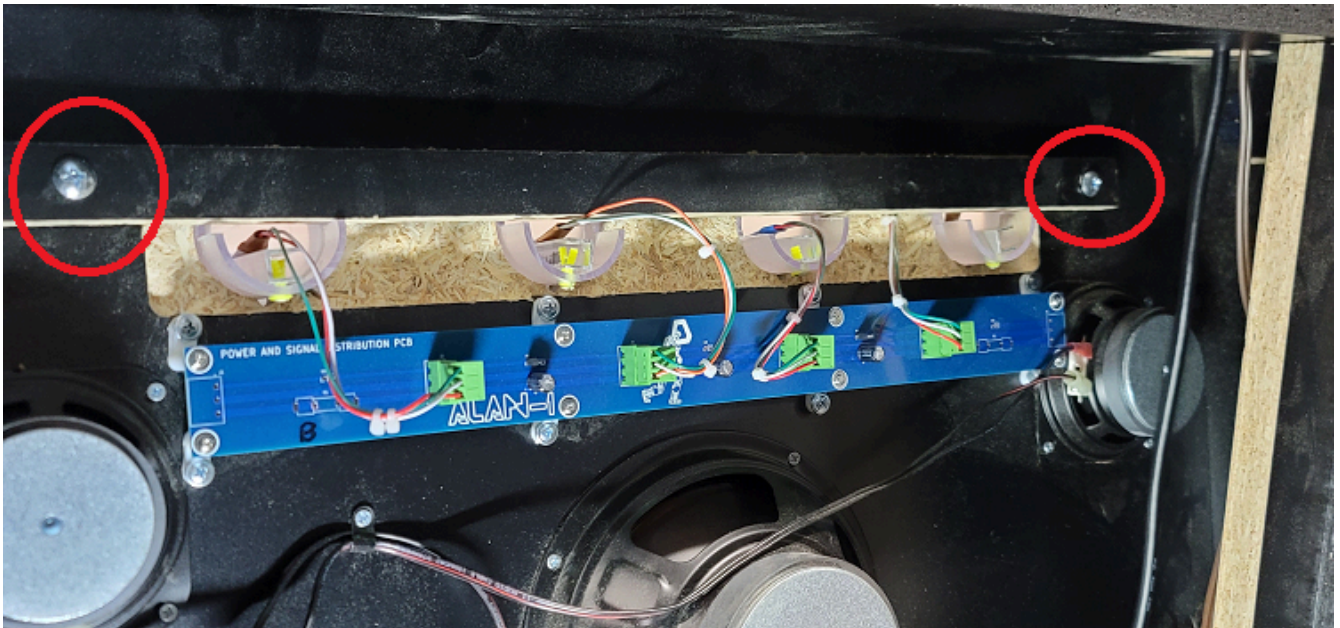
Note that the signal direction alternates between tubes. Each end of the tube should have an arrow indicating the signal direction as shown below:



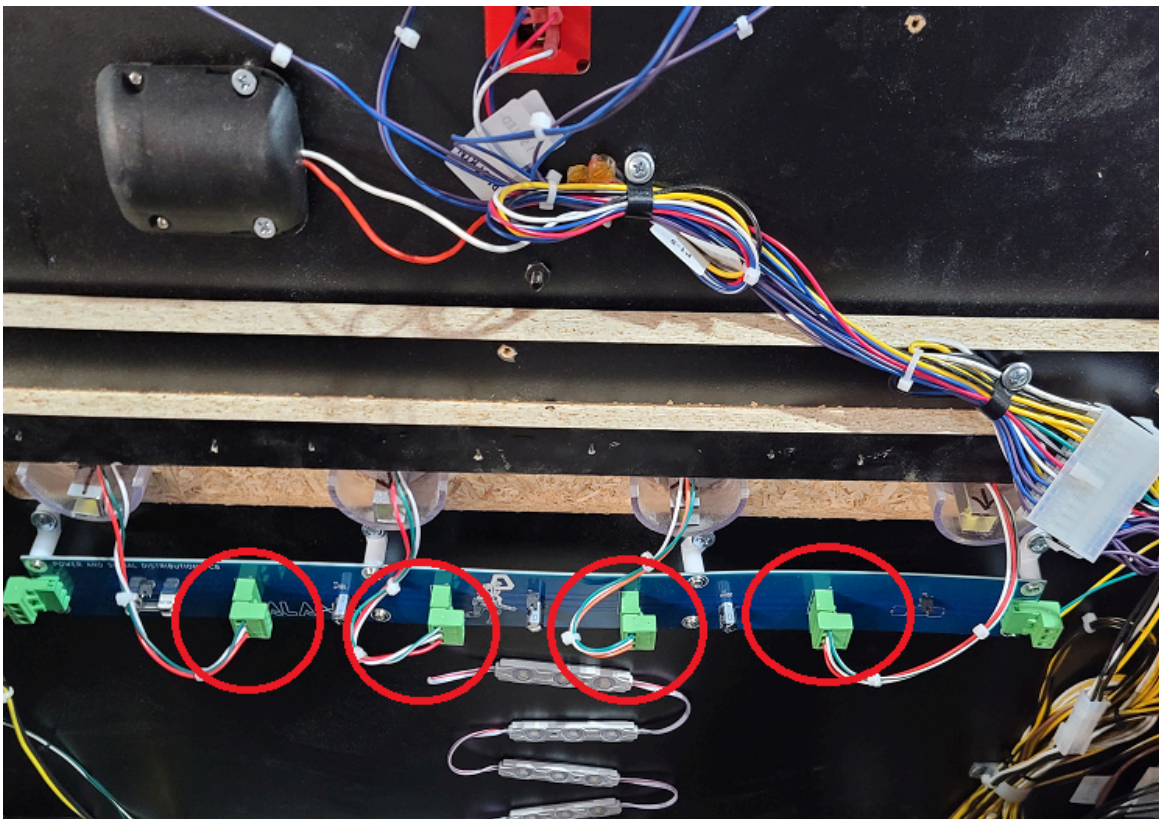
If the arrow is not visible, smaller arrows can be seen inside the tubes on the LED strips:

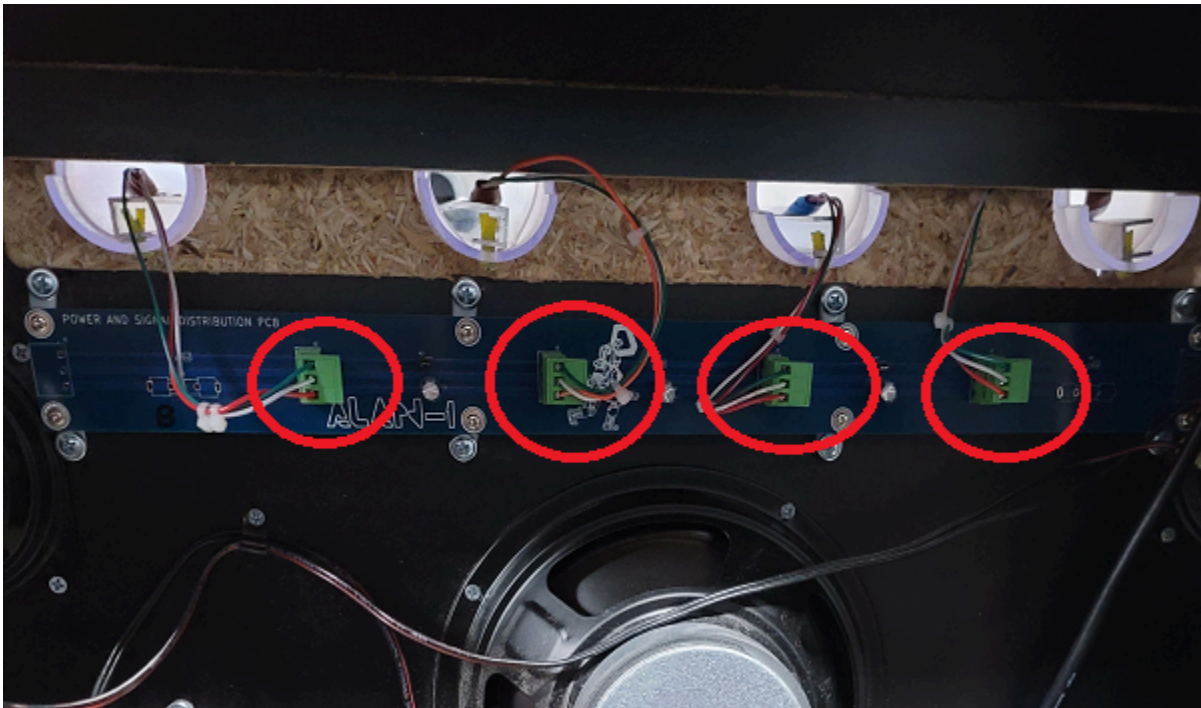


In order to unlock the tubes from the frame, rear access to the cabinet is required. With the back panel removed, simply remove the two screws from the tube back stop as highlighted in the image below so the tubes can slide out the back:

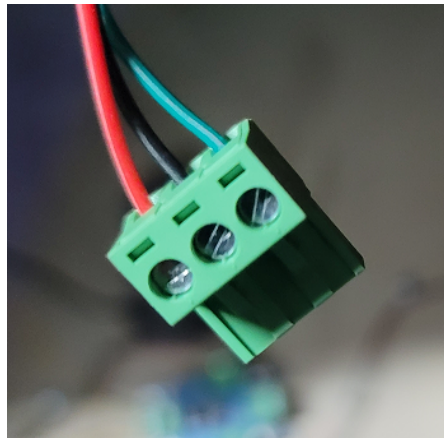


Each tube connected to a Power and Signal Distribution (PSD) Board in both the front and the back. The plugs need to be disconnected before the tube is pulled out. The front and rear PSD boards and their tube connectors are shown below:





If a new tube is being installed, the green plugs on each end of the old tube may need to be unscrewed and attached to the new tube wires. The proper wire order is shown below:



Once the old tube is removed, the new tube can be put in its place. Again, direction of the tube is critical so please ensure the signal direction is correct. Then, plug the front and rear of the tube into their respective PSD boards. Finally, screw the tube back stop into place.

Got a problem? Stuck? Please visit the MCP support knowledge base on alan-1.com, or contact our customer support team at 1-844-44-ALAN1.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Please refer to the Safety Guide section before commencing any repair work on the game. Always start with the simplest solutions first and work your way up from there to save yourself time and money.

ALWAYS INSPECT THE CABINET INTERNALLY AFTER SHIPPING TO ENSURE NO CABLES OR DEVICES HAVE COME LOOSE.

Problem	Possible Cause	Potential Solution
The game will not power on	The power cord is loose or disconnected	Plug the power cord firmly into a working wall socket
	The game is not turned on	Flick the power button on the lower back to the ON or I position
	Power supply fuse has blown	Replace the fuse(s). See fuse replacement guide on page 24 for instructions
	The power cord has failed	Replace with new or working power cord
	The power socket on the game is burnt or otherwise damaged	Replace the power supply
	No power to the wall receptacle	Test the AC outlet to verify power; Ensure that the circuit hasn't tripped and that the breaker is active and working properly. Contact a professional electrician if there is an issue.
	Power is flowing through the power cord but not past the power supply into the game.	Ensure that the voltage setting is correct for your region (110V/120V for North America); Replace the power supply
The controls don't work	Faulty wiring	Turn the game off and verify all connections are in their proper places. A wire such as the ground may have come detached from a spade on the



The controls don't work		microswitch - reconnect it. You may have to press on the prongs with a pair of needle nose pliers to increase tension to hold (usually when the game is old this happens); Check for frayed & burnt wires or grounding shorts. Discuss with a technician on replacement for any damaged wires.
	Faulty microswitch Use the input test menu to help verify connectivity.	First verify that the wires are on the correct metal spades when testing. If any wires have changed, it will result in no connection. You can also test the wiring on a known working switch to rule out a wiring issue. If the above fails, replace the microswitch and re-test.
	Faulty 800 IOT PCB	Turn the game off and verify all connections going to the 800 IOT board. Check for any potential debris that may be causing a short (use a can of air to blow this out). Reseat any of the black edge connectors with wires going into them and DO NOT install these backwards (it can fry the board). Ensure that the connectors are snug and not loose. Verify connections between the 800 IOT & PC motherboard, such as USB. Verify power is going to the 800 IOT. If it still does not work, replace the PCB.
No sound or bad audio	Volume dials or software volume levels are set to 0 or low	Return these to their proper range. Do not put at max to avoid blowing the speakers.



	Attract mode is set to “Silent”	Choose a different option under Attract Sound Frequency
Problem	Possible Cause	Potential Solution
No sound or bad audio	Poor or no connection; Faulty wiring	An audio cable may be loose, incorrectly set, or disconnected. Reseat and reconnect firmly on both ends of the cable. Ensure that the PC audio cable is also firmly seated. Check cables for fraying or damage; Replace the cables
	Blown speakers	Verify that no dial on the audio equalizer is set to max, nor set to max volume in the software; Use the output tests to ensure which speaker is at fault; Check connections; Remove speaker and inspect for any damage or debris; If still blown sound, replace the speaker
	Weak or muffled sound	Check all volume settings; Check for sources of localized interference; The speaker wires may have been reversed; Remove and reapply in their proper places
	Faulty audio amp	Verify that all audio connections are set firmly in their proper ports; Verify that the audio cable from the green audio jack on the motherboard is inserted properly.
	Faulty audio jack on the motherboard	Plug in a pair of working headphones or speakers to the green audio jack on the motherboard and play the game or do a sound test; Ensure volume in software is in the mid-range; Try swapping the



		male-to-male audio cable out with a new or working one; Replace motherboard if still no sound
Problem	Possible Cause	Potential Solution
Constant, low or loud audio hum	Local interference	Check for sources of interference that may be picked up by the speakers, such as certain types of radios, antennas, any device that uses high-end magnets; Remove the offending equipment or move the machine to another spot in the venue.
	Faulty power supply	Check both the DC external power and the power supply itself to ensure they are operating within normal parameters. If not, replace the power supply
	Open ground	Check all ground wires inside the cabinet. Ensure that the AC wall outlet is properly grounded.
No video, video corruption, or sound plays, no video	The motherboard is not on	Press the PC power button to make sure it is on. Ensure that the power cable to the motherboard is firmly plugged in; If the rest of the cabinet is getting power but the motherboard is not, test the PSU for proper operation. If bad, replace the PSU; If fine, replace the motherboard
	Video cable not secure or has gone bad	Ensure that the DisplayPort cable is firmly plugged in on both ends (monitor and PC). Replace cable with new or working one.



	Monitor has gone bad	Check power and video cabling to ensure firm connections; Plug a power cable directly from an AC outlet into the monitor's outlet; Connect another video
Problem	Possible Cause	Potential Solution
No video, video corruption, or sound plays, no video		source (game console, laptop) into the monitor's DisplayPort (you may need to use a DisplayPort-to-HDMI adapter for this).
	Bad video card (Discolored blocks and "gibberish" video can be a symptom of this.)	See if the corrupted graphics appear on the screens when the machine starts (before the game loads). If it is only in-game, there might be an issue with the card. To verify it isn't a monitor problem, connect a different device to your monitor and see if there are different results. You should also try a different monitor (any with a DisplayPort should work) and connect the game's video cable to it while on. If the corrupted graphics still show up on the other monitor, then try a different video cable; If the issue persists, perform a full factory restore (see pg. 13 for instructions on a manual launch). This can fix a bad video driver. If the issue is still present after these steps, replace the motherboard.
If you encounter one of these errors: Game Doesn't Load Game loads partially, then crashes Gets stuck in a "boot loop" of	Hard drive corruption or failure	Attempt to restore the game to its original factory settings by following the Manual Launch instructions (pg. 13 in this manual); Replace the SSD on the motherboard



<p>constant resets</p> <p>Any message about file system errors</p> <p>Game resets at random</p> <p>Unstable attract mode (freezing, stuttering)</p>		
Problem	Possible Cause	Potential Solution
<p>An incorrect number of credits are awarded when inserting coins/bills or swiping a card</p>	Incorrect price settings	Make adjustments in the Pricing Options menu inside of the Service Menu
	Faulty wiring	Disconnect the cabinet from AC power. Verify wires are firmly connected to coin mech and bill validator and ground wires are properly connected. Verify no wires are frayed or shorting to ground.
	Faulty microswitch	If wiring is properly setup, remove the connectors from both of the coin switches, then try the wires on the problem side with the known working switch. If it still works, then replace the microswitch.
	Faulty coin mech or card reader	Check the coin mechanism for any jams or other issues that might be causing the switch to work improperly; check with your card reader's technical support on troubleshooting the reader. Replace the mech or reader.
<p>Toys don't activate</p>	Incorrect setting	Check the GAME OPTIONS menu to ensure that all toys are turned ON.
	Faulty wiring	Check the wiring to each toy to ensure no frayed or shorted wires. Replace the toy which will come with its own wiring harness.



	Power issue	Check the power supply voltages to ensure that they are within their proper ranges; Check fuses; Replace the PSU
	Component failure	Replace the toy in question
WiFi won't connect	WiFi Antenna disconnected from main board	Ensure that the two small black wires are connected to their proper place on the motherboard.
	Improper setup in Alan-1 Operators app (wrong password or network)	Inside the Online HQ, choose WiFi Setup, then follow the instructions. Within the app, you can find where it asks to setup WiFi on a game. This is where you'll enter the network ID and the password. Ensure that all of the information is correct
	No WiFi hotspot detected.	Check antenna wire connections; Check your phone to ensure that WiFi is on (no Airplane mode) to find the network; ensure that your phone is seeing other networks to eliminate the issue on the phone. If everything is in place and still not hotspot, replace the antenna

-=> ORIGINAL VERSION RESTORE / RESET! <=-

In the extremely rare event that the software to the game becomes corrupted, you can perform a clean reset of the machine to put it back to the original software state. This includes the game code as well as the settings.

When the operator turns Asteroids Recharged on for the first time, the Alan-1 App Launcher activates before launching the next app (such as the game) based on the service menu switch status. However, each time the game starts, the operator has a small time window where they can interrupt the automatic launch, and go into "Manual launch" mode by pressing any button 3 times, quickly.



In the manual launch mode, you can reset the game back to the original version & settings instead of running the updated version.

This is intended so that if the updated software version is corrupted, thus leaving the game inoperable, the operator still has the chance to clear that and go back to the version that the cabinet shipped with.

Trouble? Please visit the MCP support knowledge base on alan-1.com, or contact our customer support team at 1-844-44-ALAN1.



ILLUSTRATIONS & DIAGRAMS

Exploded Cabinet View

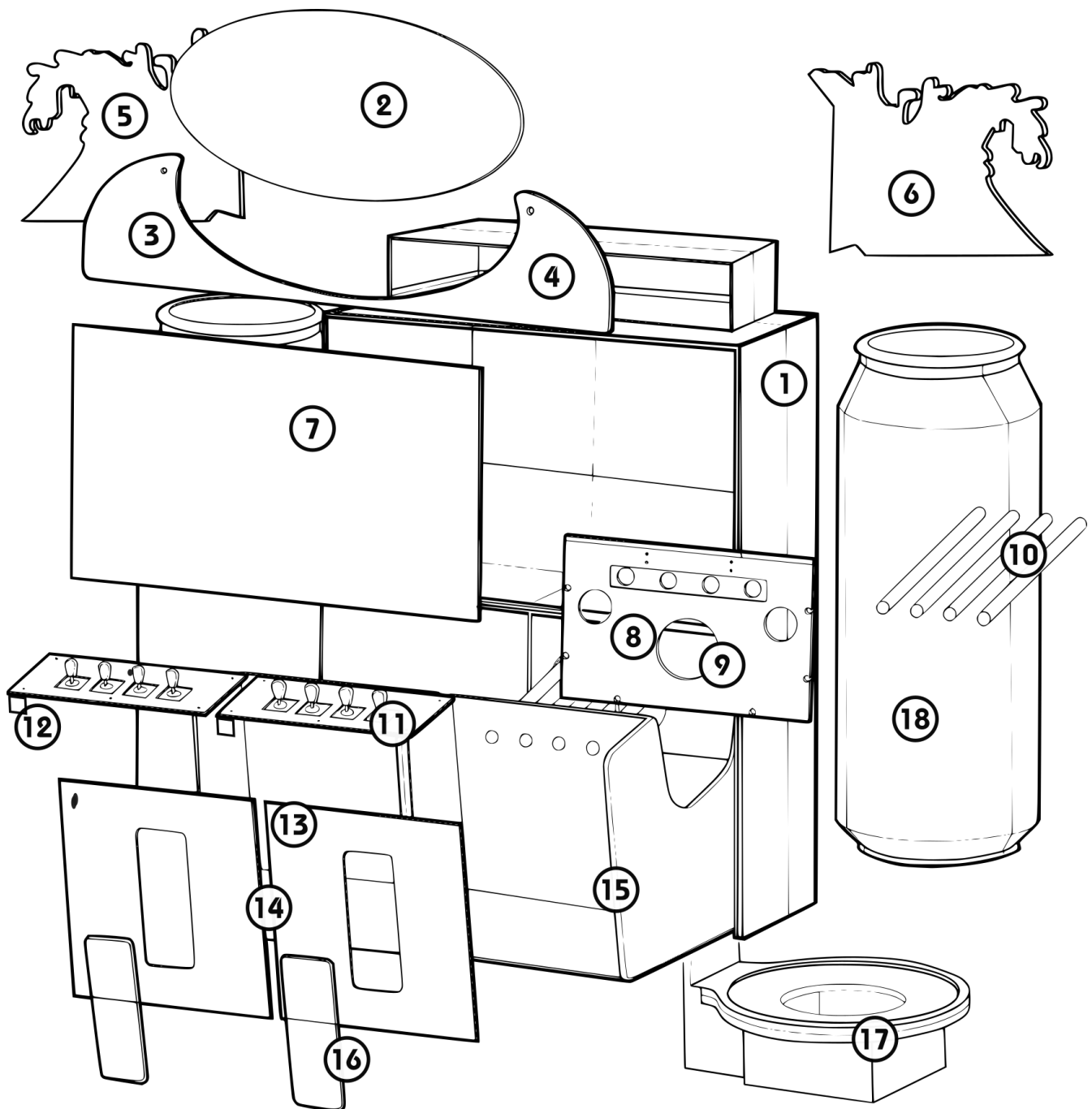


FIGURE 6. ARCADE CABINET FRONT VIEW

Exploded Cabinet View Part Numbers

Item	Part No.	Description	Quantity
1	N/A	Raw Game Cabinet (various pieces)	1
2	SS2D-RAW-15	Soda Slam marquee	1
3	SS2D-RAW-13	Control panel acrylic	1
4	SS2D-RAW-16	Kick Plate Marquee	1
5	SS2X-RAW-14	Top ISO	1
6	SS2X-RAW-14	Top ISO	1
7	SS2D-VAS-253	LG TV (65" Monitor 4K)	1
8	AK2-AUD-2	4" Speaker, 4Ohm	4
9	AK2-AUD-3	GRS-8PR-8 8" Surround Subwoofer	2
10	SS2D-LED-8	Frosted polycarbonate tube LED housing	8
11	SS2D-I/P-12	Soda Slam joystick	8
12	AK2-CAB-17	Control panel door latch	1
13	AK2-I/P-4	Volcanic start push buttons REMOVE?	2
14	AK2-I/P-5	Volcanic start button nut REMOVE?	2
15	AR3-LED-4	LED T-Molding	2
16	AR2-CAB-2	Coin door & coin box	2
17		Giant soda can base (SDX MODELS ONLY)	2
18	SSX2-RAW-17	6FT Fiberglass cans (SDX MODELS ONLY)	2



Cabinet - Rear

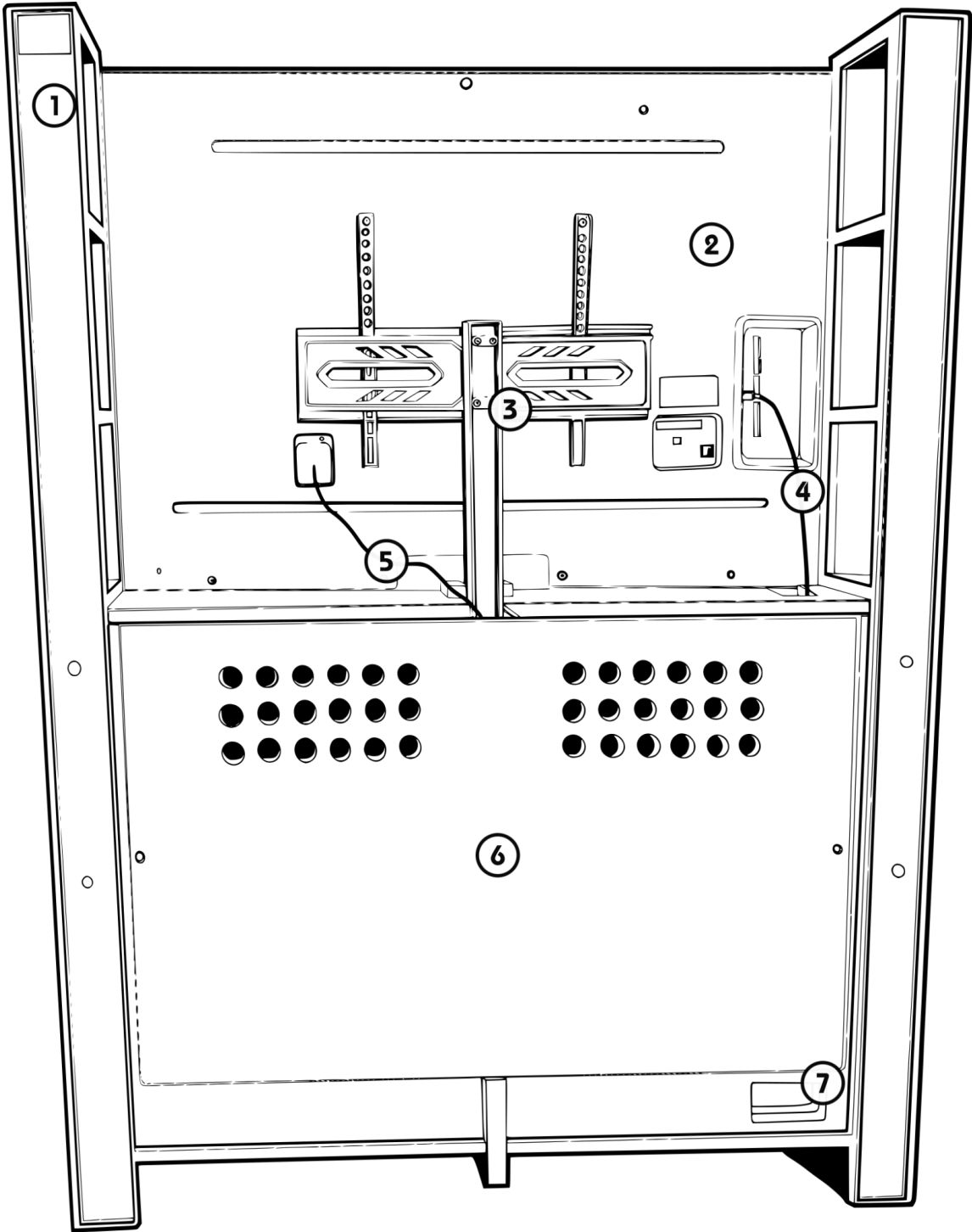


FIGURE 7. ARCADE CABINET REAR VIEW



Cabinet - Rear Parts Numbers

Item	Part No.	Description	Quantity
1	AR2-RAW-9	Cabinet (Plywood & Particle Board)	1
2	SS2D-VAS-31	Soda Slam S/N Metal Cabinet Tag	1
3	SS2D-VAS-253	65" 4K LGTV	1
4		Monitor mounting stand	1
5		HDMI Cable	2
6		TV Power cable	1
7	AK2-CUT-3	Back door	1
8	AK2-VAS-7	VAS Energy Distribution Unit (PDB-JH-01)	
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Open From The Back

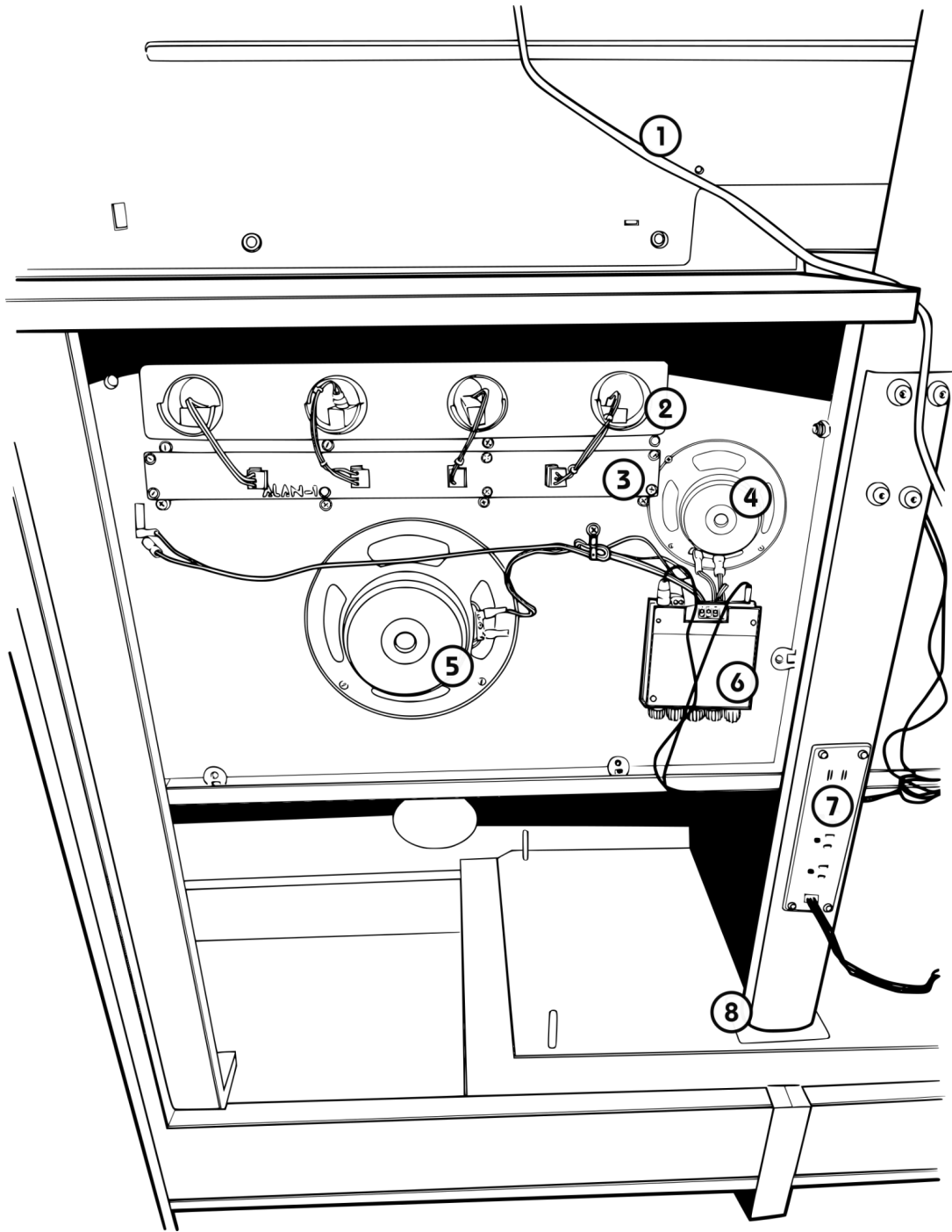


FIGURE 8. Inside the cabinet from the back

Open From The Back Parts Numbers

Item	Part No.	Description	Quantity
1		TV Power Cable	1
2		LED Tubes	8
3		LED Tube Connection board	2
4		Small speaker	2
5		Bass speaker	2
6		Audio amp	1
7		Power strip	1
8		Monitor mount base	1



Inside the cabinet - From The Back

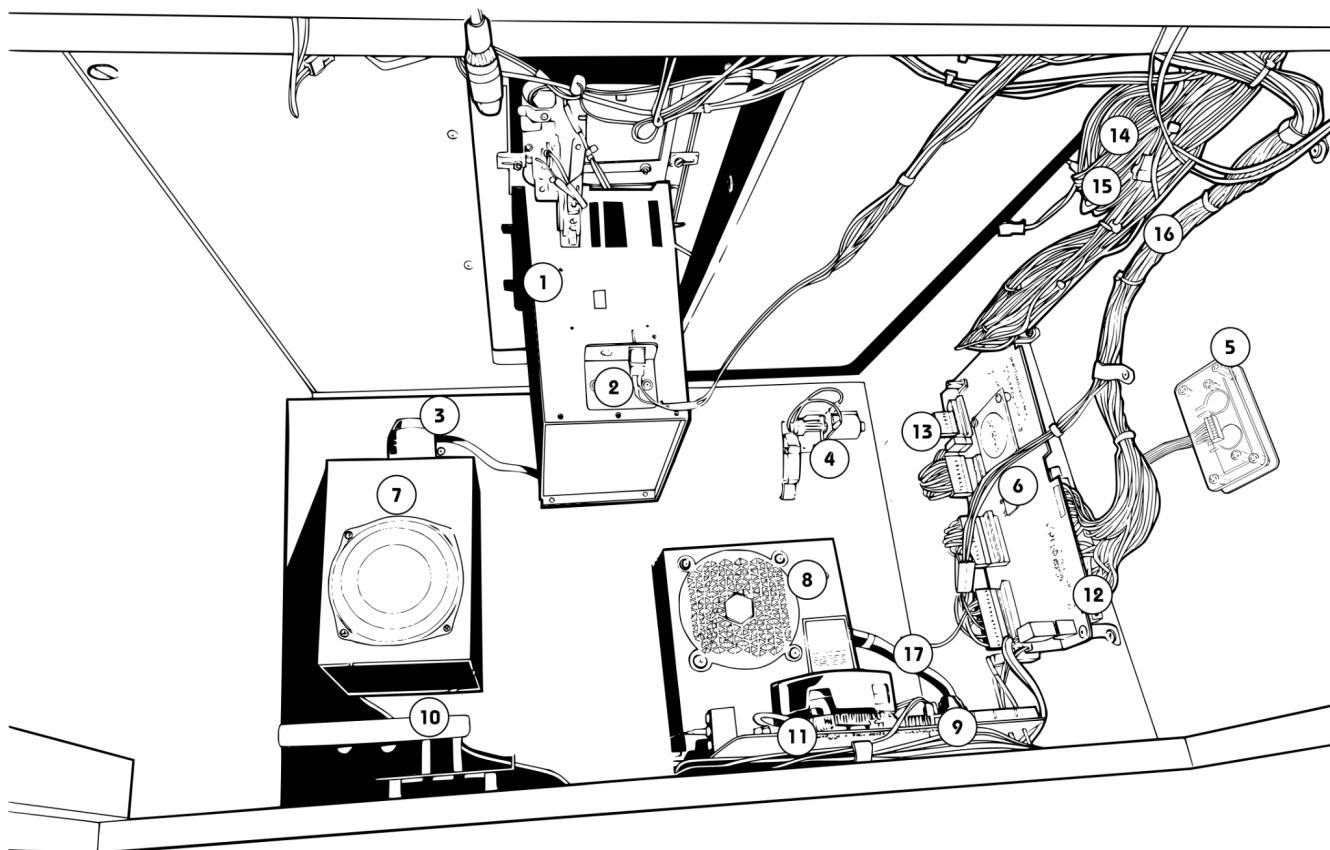


FIGURE 9. INSIDE THE CABINET | THE VIDEO ARCADE SYSTEM® (VAS) VIEW

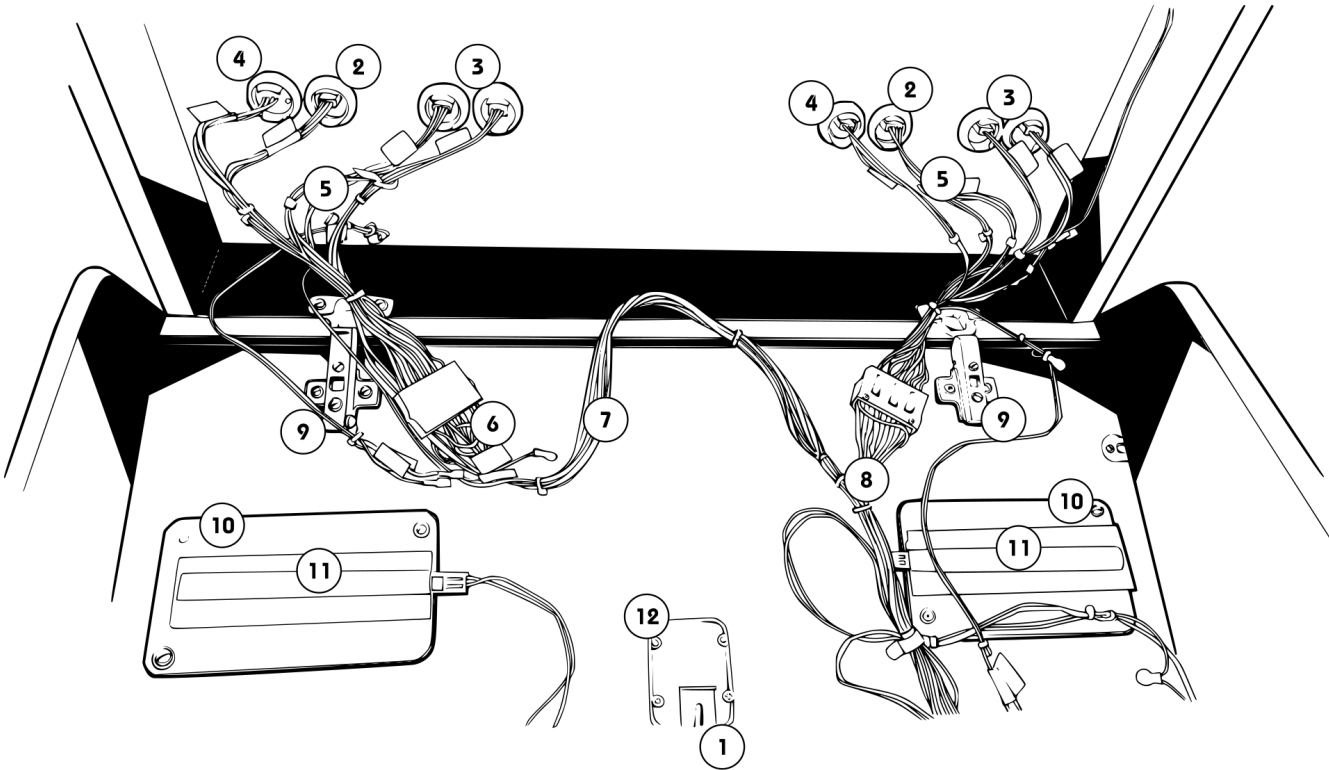
Inside The Cabinet - From The Back Parts Numbers

Item	Part No.	Description	Quantity
1	AR2-CAB-2	Coin door & coin box	1
2	AK2-I/P-3	Settings Toggle switch panel	1
3	AK2-TOY-3	VAS Big shaker motor	1
4	AK2-TOY-1	VAS 24 Volt pinball knocker	1
5	AK2-W/H-1	On/off power/reset switch	1
6	AK2-VAS-3	i/oT 400 2.2e	1
7	AR2-AUD-4	Audio kit with amp, speakers, base, and wires	1
8	AK2-VAS-7	VAS Energy Distribution Unit (PDB-JH-01)	1
9	AK2-VAS-10	Wi-Fi Card (M.2)	1
10	AK2-VAS-25	Intel WiFi Antenna	1
11	AR2P-VAS-100	VAS MCP Asteroids Recharged Pro 2P (mb, cpu, memory, ssd, wifi, standoffs)	1
12	AR2-W/H-17	Asteroids Recharged Edge Connector Harness for 1-2 Players (CAS-ALN2002-006)	1
13	AK2-W/H-12	HDRV Harness (CAS-ALN2001-005)	1
14	AK2-W/H-13	MDRV 1-6 Harness (CAS-ALN2001-008)	1
15	AK2-W/H-14	MDRV 7-11 Harness (CAS-ALN2001-009)	1
16	AK2-W/H-15	MDRV 12-18 Harness (CAS-ALN2001-012)	1
17	AK2-W/H-16	I/o T Power Harness (CAS-ALN2001-004)	1



Control Panel - Inner/Open View

FIGURE 10



. UNDER THE ARCADE CONTROL PANEL



Control Panel - Inner View Part Numbers

Item	Part No.	Description	Quantity
1	AK2-CAB-17	Control panel door latch	1
2	AK2-I/P-6	Green button with nut (Four Pin) D-LED, Blank Button	2
3	AK2-I/P-7	Blue button with nut (Four Pin) D-LED, Blank Button	4
4	AK2-I/P-8	Red button with nut (Four Pin) D-LED, Blank Button	2
5	AR2-I/P-9	White Button with nut (Four Pin) D-LED, Blank Button	2
6	AR2-WH-006	AR2 EC1 (P1+P2 Edge)	1
7	AR2-WH-006	MDRV 7-11 Harness (CAS-ALN2001-009)	1
8	AR2-WH-006	MDRV 12-18 Harness (CAS-ALN2001-012)	1
9	AK2-CAB-10	Hinges	2
10	AK2-ACR-2	Hood diffusers	2
11	AK2-LED-2	Diffuser LED lights	2
12	AK2-TOY-2	VAS Small shaker motor	1



LDVR, MDVR, HDVR Wiring Harness, 800 IOP Information

As mentioned above, there are three principle wiring harnesses found in each Asteroids Recharged machine. The harness connects to the 800 IOP board, which is pre-installed into the cabinet, with the wire edge connectors facing upwards. Edge connectors are keyed to prevent improper installation. **Note that forcing an improper install will damage the 800 IOP board.** Input and output wires for the 5 voltage lines are contained within the 40-pin wiring harness (see next page). The 12 volt wires are connected to 18 of the output connectors on the I/oT board—which makes up the heart of the Video Arcade System. Lastly, there are six 24 volt lines available on the lower level output panel of the i/oT.

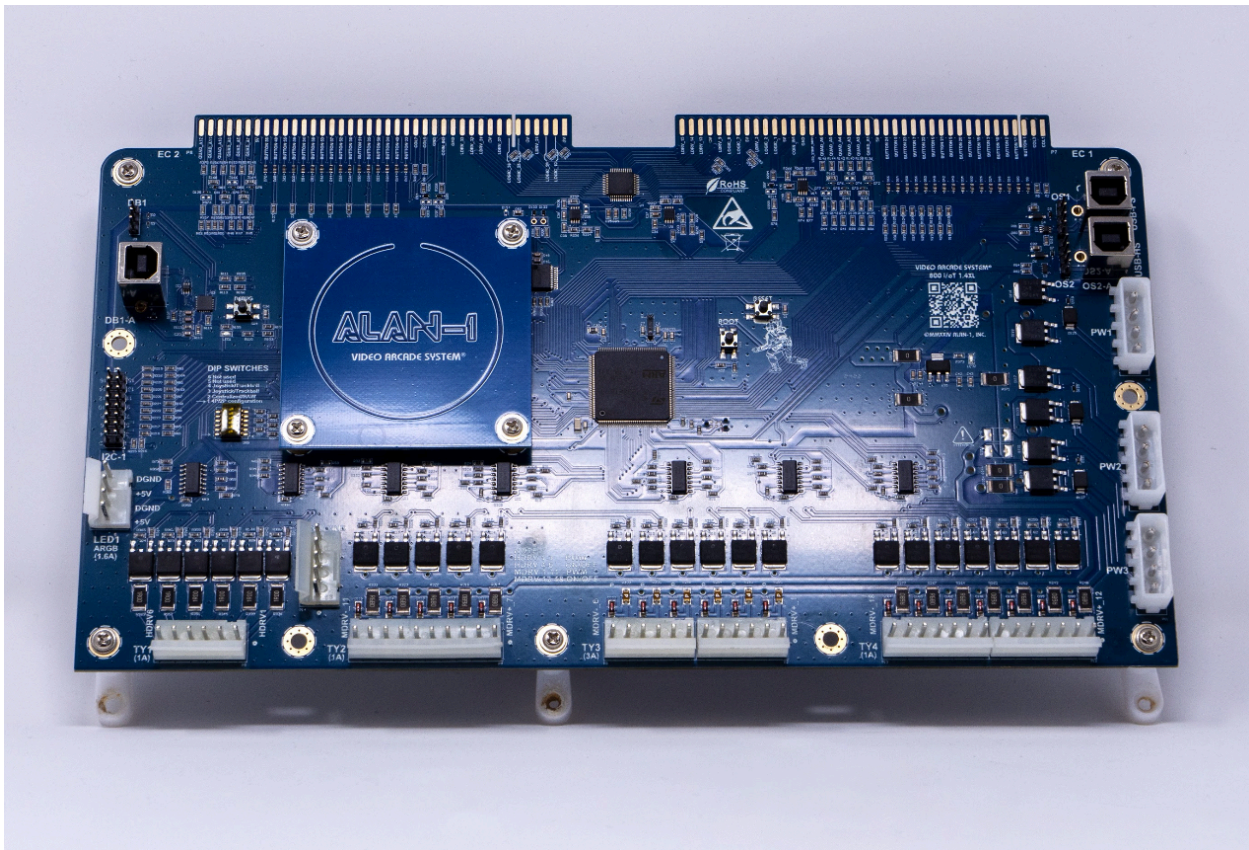


Figure x. I/oT rev 1.4XL Front Side

There will only be one edge connector+harness used in a 2-player cabinet. Two connectors are only used in 3p/4p games.

Yellow wires are always +12V; Red are always +5V; Black & White are always GND. (Though sometimes it may be a switched GND through MDRV or HDRV.) Note that LDRV, MDRV, and HDRV all switch the ground leg of the circuit.

They control the following components, with their labels and expected voltages listed below:

- LDVR - Low Voltage (5V) channels control the LEDs found in the control panel buttons
 - All player input controls
 - LED output for all player's controls
 - Players start buttons
 - Coin mechanism triggers
 - Settings switch toggle
 - Ticket notch output
- MDVR - Medium voltage (12V) channels control the brighter lights and most cabinet toys.
 - Monitor flashers + diffuser lights around the monitor (RGB light)
 - The white marquee lights
 - The front lights under the control panel and over the control deck
 - The coin door lighting
 - Player fans
 - Big & Small shaker motors
- HDVR - High voltage (24V) channels for high powered toys
 - Pinball knocker (solenoid)

There is an intermediate connector between the edge connector and each individual player's controls. It serves two purposes:

- It allows the operator to disconnect the player controls and remove the control panel entirely.
- It "fans out" several wires, like COLX, +5V, and GND. The edge connectors can't safely hold multiple wires in their crimps, whereas the intermediate connectors can.

The MDRV and HDRV connectors are the .396 pin sockets across the bottom of the PCB. The amperage is written on the PCB next to the connector, along with an identifier (see figure _)

- Each has a different number of pins. **Plug each connector into the pin socket with the same number of pins, or you can damage the 800IOP.**
- The connectors are half-shrouded, so it'll be difficult to push them in backwards. The locking tabs on both the socket and the connector housing face the outside edge of the PCB.
- **Be very careful to NOT plug in the connector housings offset by a pin!** This is nearly guaranteed to damage the 800IOP once the game powers up.



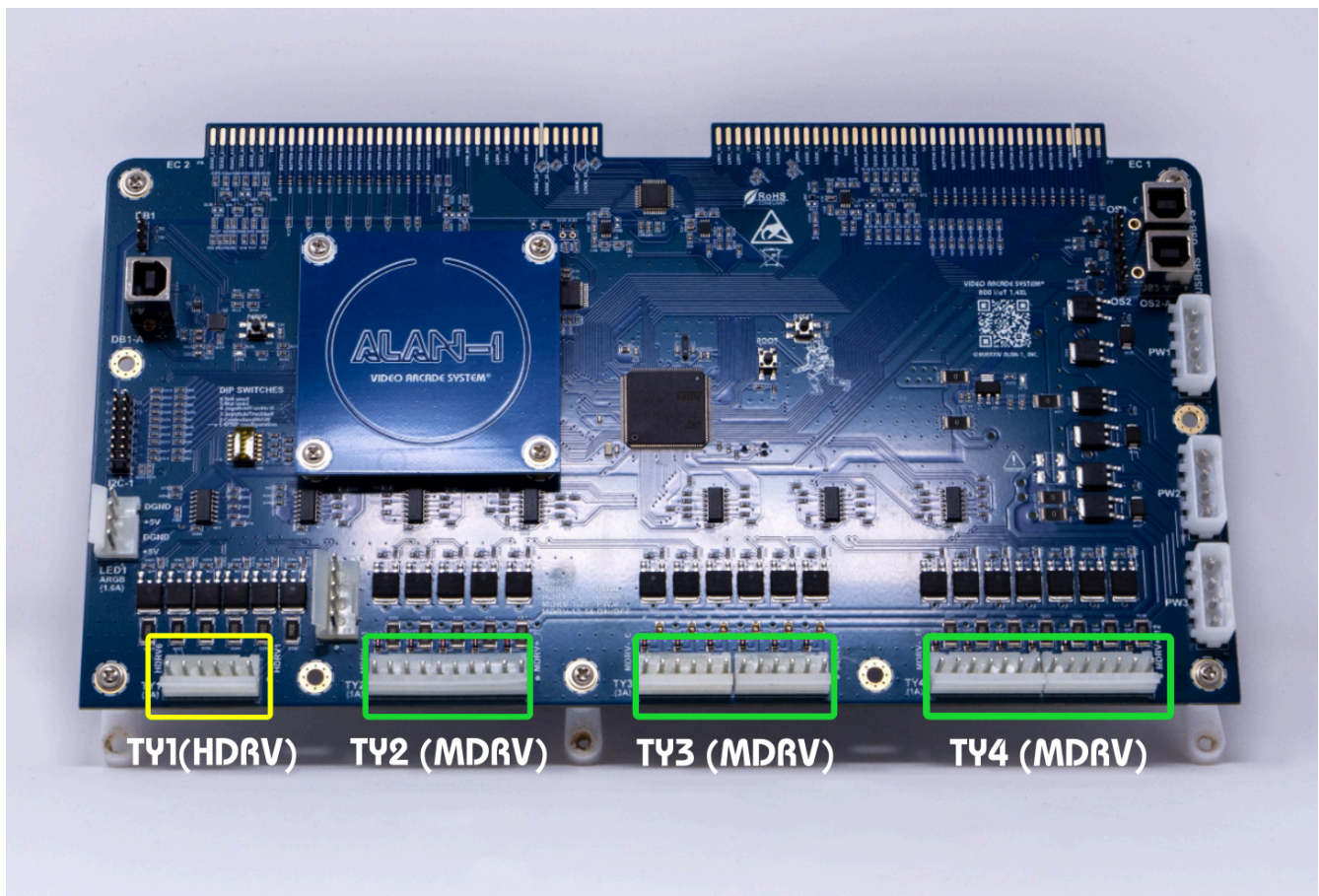


Figure x. I/oT rev 1.4XL with indicators

TY1 (HDRV; 1A)

- The HDRV connector goes only to the pinball knocker.
- The other side of the pinball knocker connects to a 24V power output of the PDB.
- The coil used has a coil diode pre-installed, so you must hook the wires up correctly or you will blow the +24V supply.
 - The diode should conduct in reverse, from HDRV (switched ground) to +24V. It should NOT conduct from +24V to GND.

TY2 (MDRV 7-11; 1A)

- 2-player cabinets do not use P4 Front and P4 Down
- Marquee Light is a string of white COB LEDs that shine through the back of the marquee plex. ◦ Each COB is ~200 lumens.
- Fan 1 L/Fan 2 L/Fan 1 R/Fan 2 R are the centrifugal fans that mount to the underside of the upper control panel. The 2P cabinet has only one each of Fan L and Fan R.
- BIGSHAKE goes to the big shaker motor.
 - The coil diode is already in the harness, so you can hook either wire to either terminal of the motor.

TY3 (MDRV 1-6; 3A)

- Mon LED 1-2 are the COB LED strips that go above and below the monitor. They live inside the black plastic LED channel with the milky white diffusers.
- Marq LED 1-2 are the COB LED strips that light up the diffusers on each side of the marquee. The gray plastic channel clamps the LED strip onto the back of the diffusers without requiring adhesives.
- P1-P3 Front and P1-P3 Down are the frontlights and downlights for each player, respectively. The 2P cabinet has only P1 and P2 frontlights and downlights.

TY4 (MDRV 12-18; 1A)

- The harness at TY4 has 4-pin square Molex sockets on very short wires. These connect to the 4-pin plugs on the edge connectors that terminate near the edge connector itself. (They provide power to the UCL connector.)
- L MiniShk and R MiniShk are the small shaker motors. These are designated as such as the 2P cabinet has only one MiniShk, the 3P cabinet has two.
- L Coin Lite 1 and 2, and R Coin Lite 1 and 2, connect to the coin return lights on the coin doors. The 2P cabinet has only L Coin Lite 1 and 2.

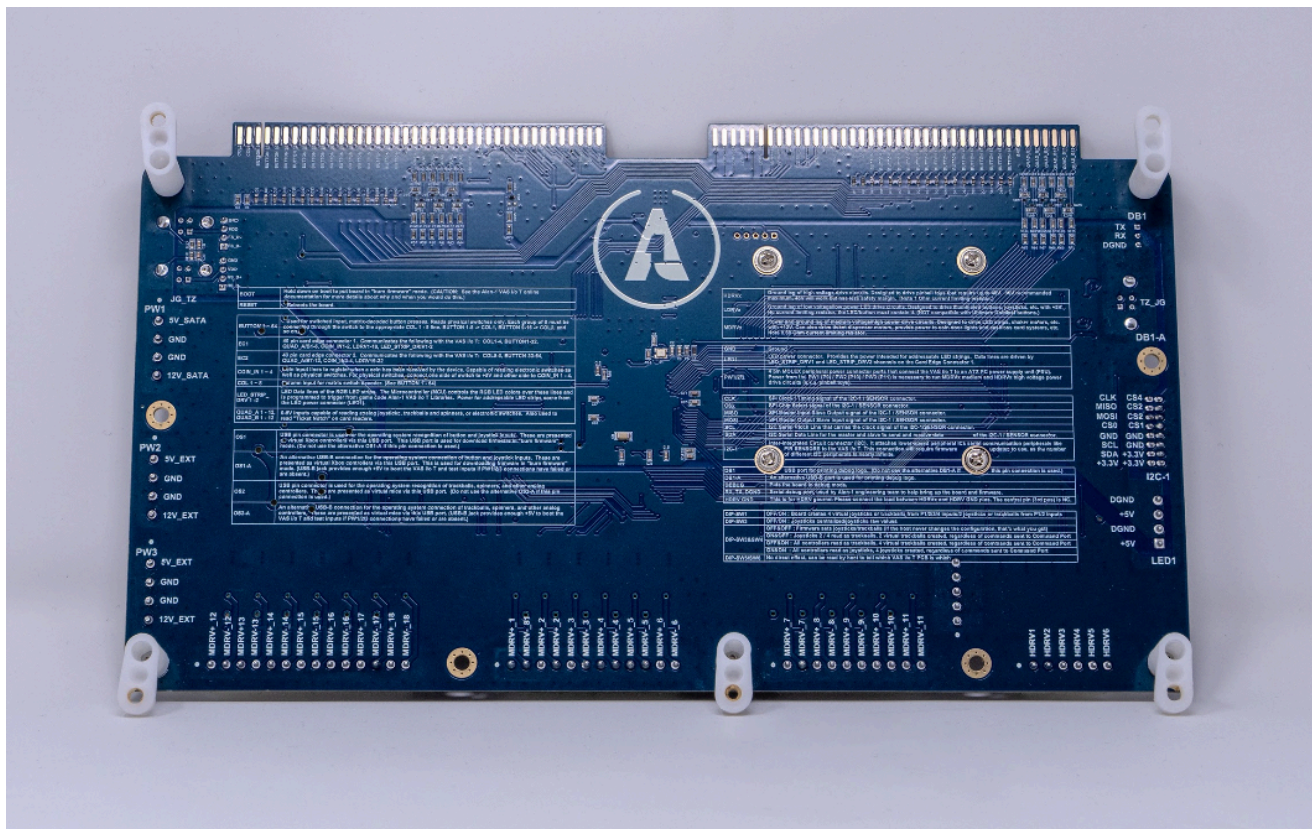


Figure x. I/oT rev 1.4XL Back Side

Dual Player 40 pin Wiring Harness Diagram

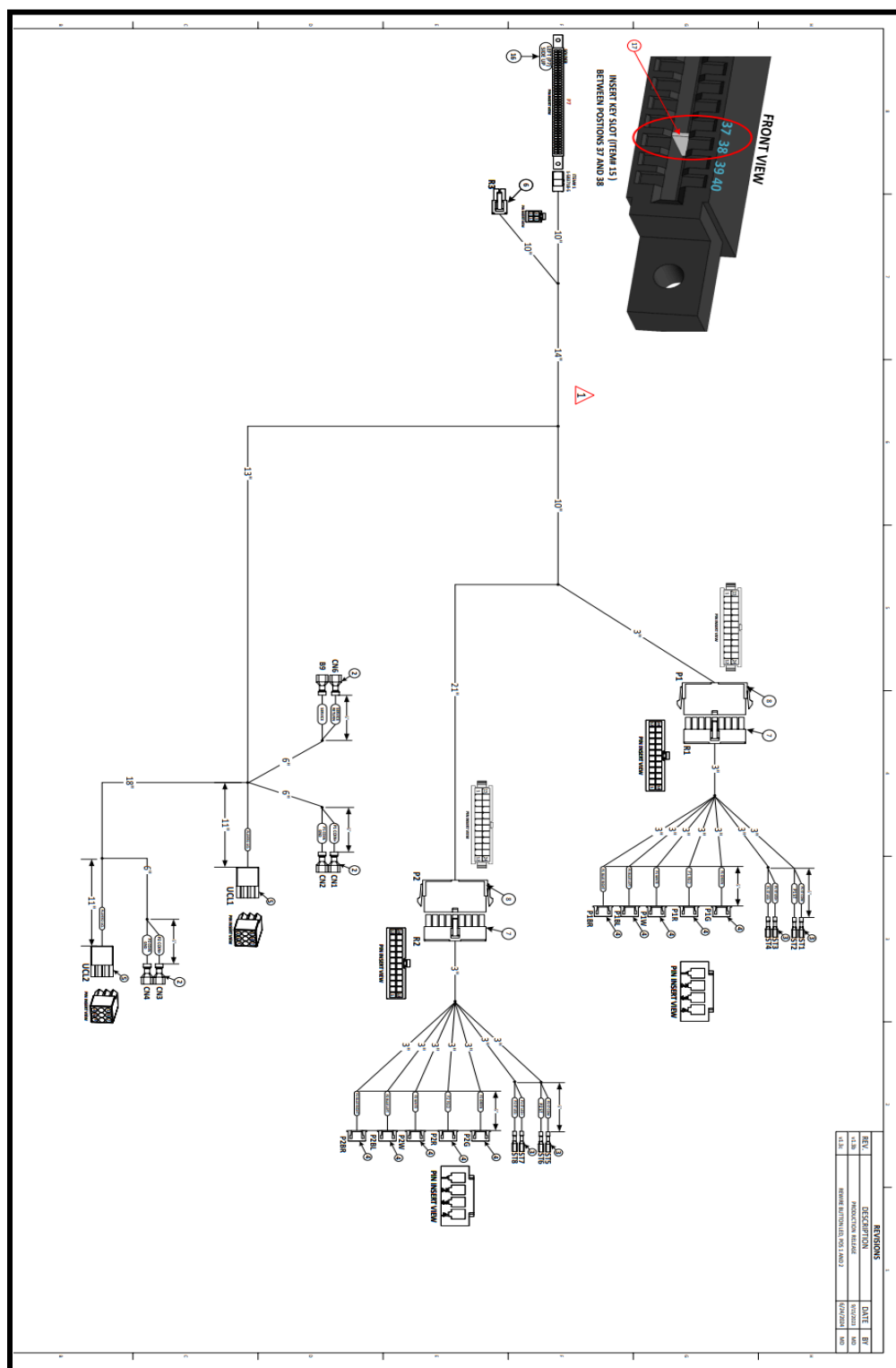


FIGURE 11. 40 PIN WIRING HARNESS DIAGRAM



Wiring Harness pinouts:

Asteroids Recharged 2 and 3 Player

Bottom Side P7 Top Side

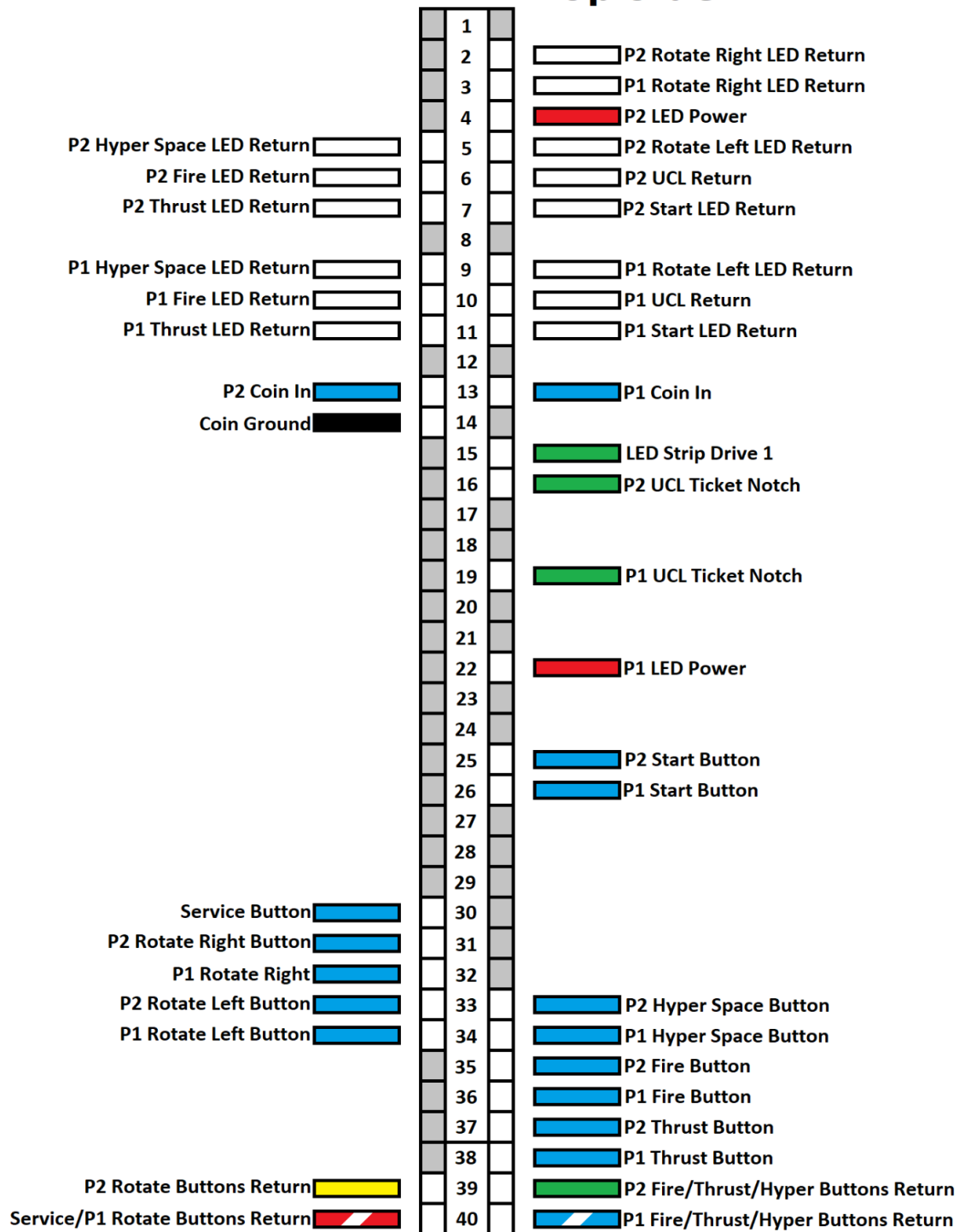
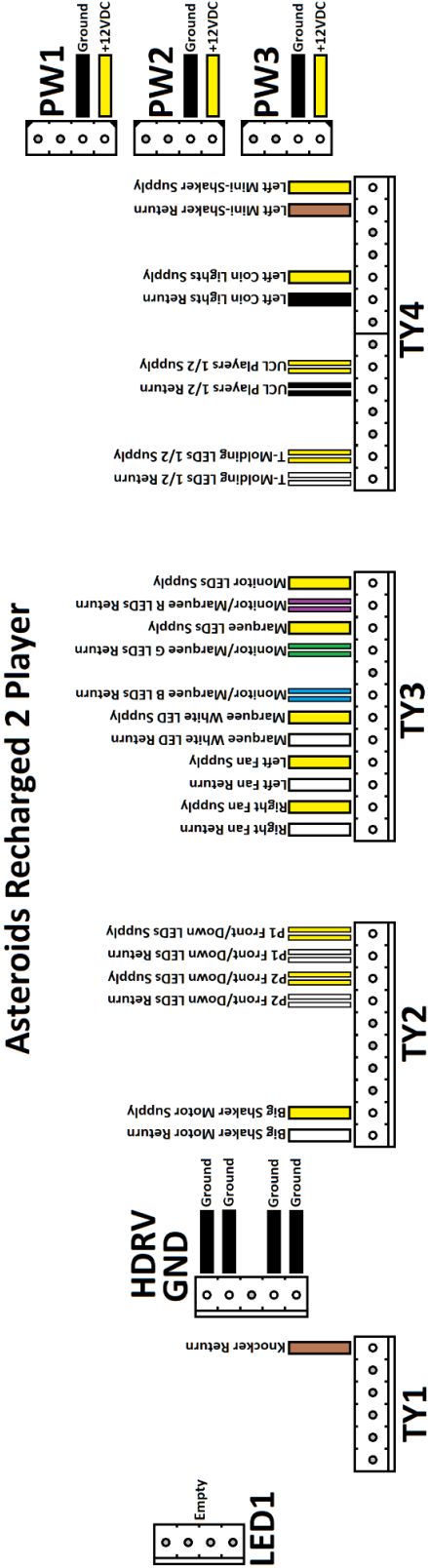


FIGURE 12. 40 PIN WIRING HARNESS PINOUT P7

Power & Drive pinouts:



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REV.	DESCRIPTION	DATE	BY	
V1.0	PRODUCTION RELEASE	9/25/2021	MD	
V1.1R	REPAIR BOTTOM I/O, POS 1 AND 2	8/24/2024	MD	

BILL OF MATERIALS				
ITEM#	PART #	DESCRIPTION	QTY	MFR
1	1-583718-5	80 Position Card Edge Connector Housing Black 0.100" (2.54mm) Panel Mount	1	TE
2	19003-0105	0.250" (6.35mm) Quick Connect Female 18-22 AWG Crimp Connector Fully Insulated	6	MOLEX
3	190030097	0.110" (2.79mm) Quick Connect Female 18-22 AWG Crimp Connector Fully Insulated	8	MOLEX
4	XHP-4	4 Rectangular Connectors - Housings Receptacle Natural 0.098" (2.50mm)	10	JST
5	03-09-1093	9 Rectangular Connectors - Housings Receptacle Natural 0.198" (5.03mm)	2	MOLEX
6	39-01-2040	4 Rectangular Connectors - Housings Receptacle Natural 0.165" (4.20mm)	1	MOLEX
7	39-01-2240	24 Rectangular Connectors - Housings Receptacle Natural 0.165" (4.20mm)	2	MOLEX
8	39-01-2241	24 Rectangular Connectors - Housings Plug Natural TABS (4.20mm)	2	MOLEX
9	2091117	Socket Contact Tin Crimp 18-22 AWG Power	10	MOLEX
10	SXH-001T-PO.6N	Socket Contact Tin 22-26 AWG Crimp Stamped	40	JST
11	39-00-0038	SOCKET CONTACT TIN 18-24 AWG CRIMP POWER	52	MOLEX
12	39-00-0040	PIN CONTACT TIN 18-24 AWG CRIMP POWER	48	MOLEX
13	583853-3	Edge Terminal Non-Gendered 20-24 AWG Crimp Gold	38	TE
14		SELF LAMINATING LABEL	30	
15	583274-3	Connector Keying Plug (Intercontact) For AMP-LEAF Series	1	TE
16		WIRE, STRANDED, PVC INSULATION, 18 AWG, UL1007		
17		WIRE, STRANDED, PVC INSULATION, 22 AWG, UL1007		
18		WIRE, STRANDED, PVC INSULATION, 24 AWG, UL1007		

FIGURE 13. 40 PIN WIRING HARNESS BOM



Wiring harness, 800IOP, Coin Door LEDs & Ticket Disp.

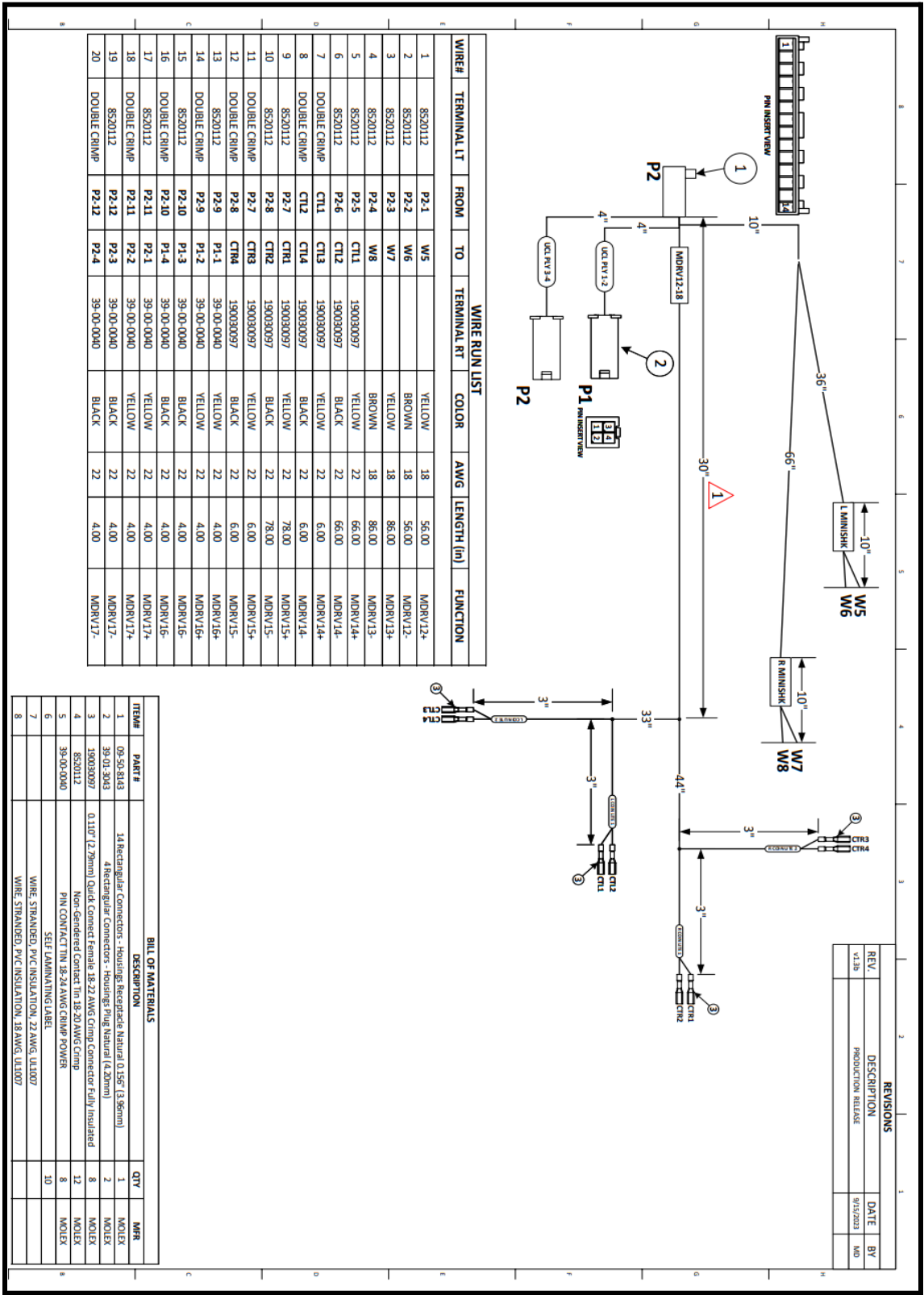


FIGURE 14. COIN DOOR LED & TICKET DISPENSER DIAGRAM



LED Wiring Connections

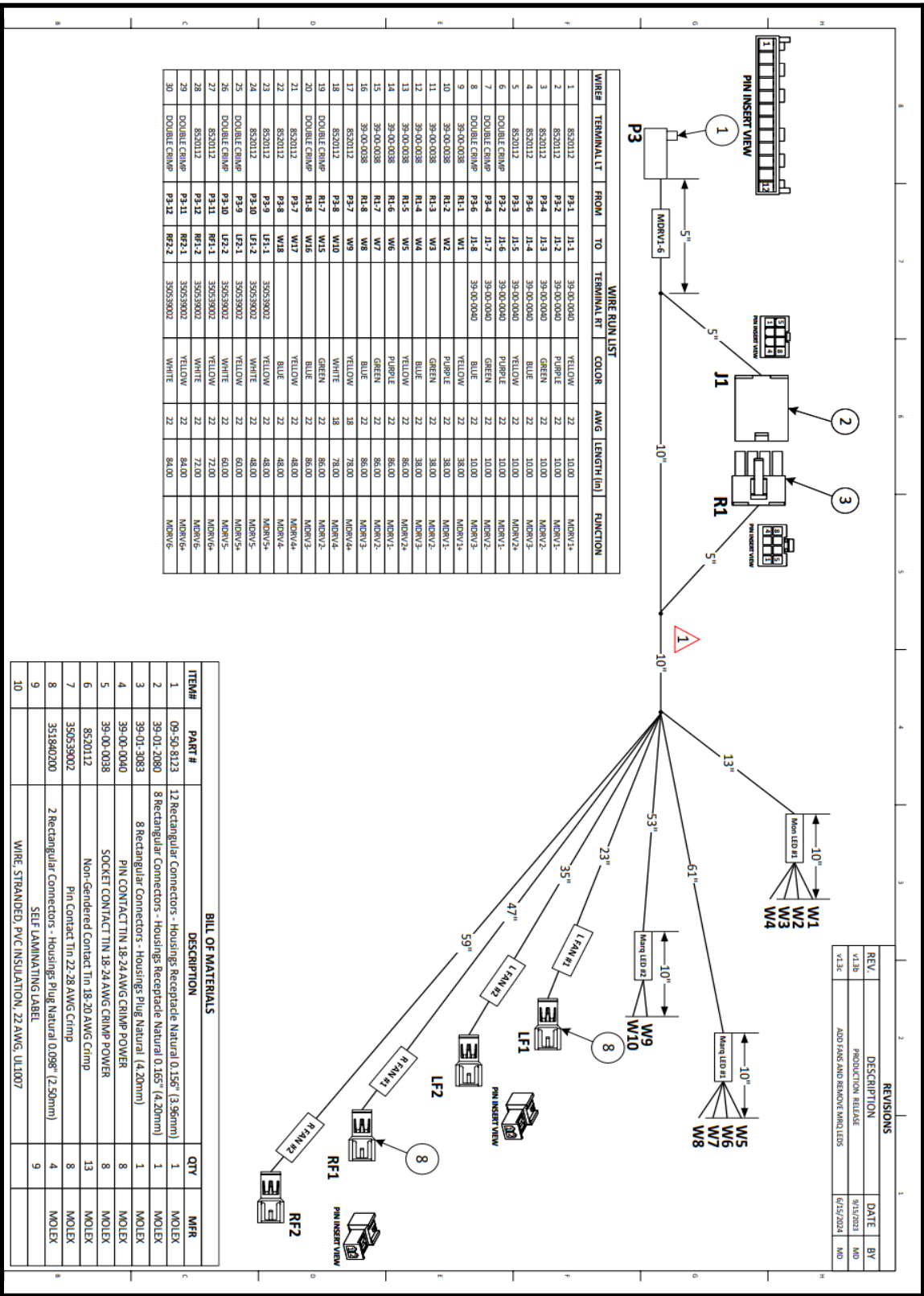
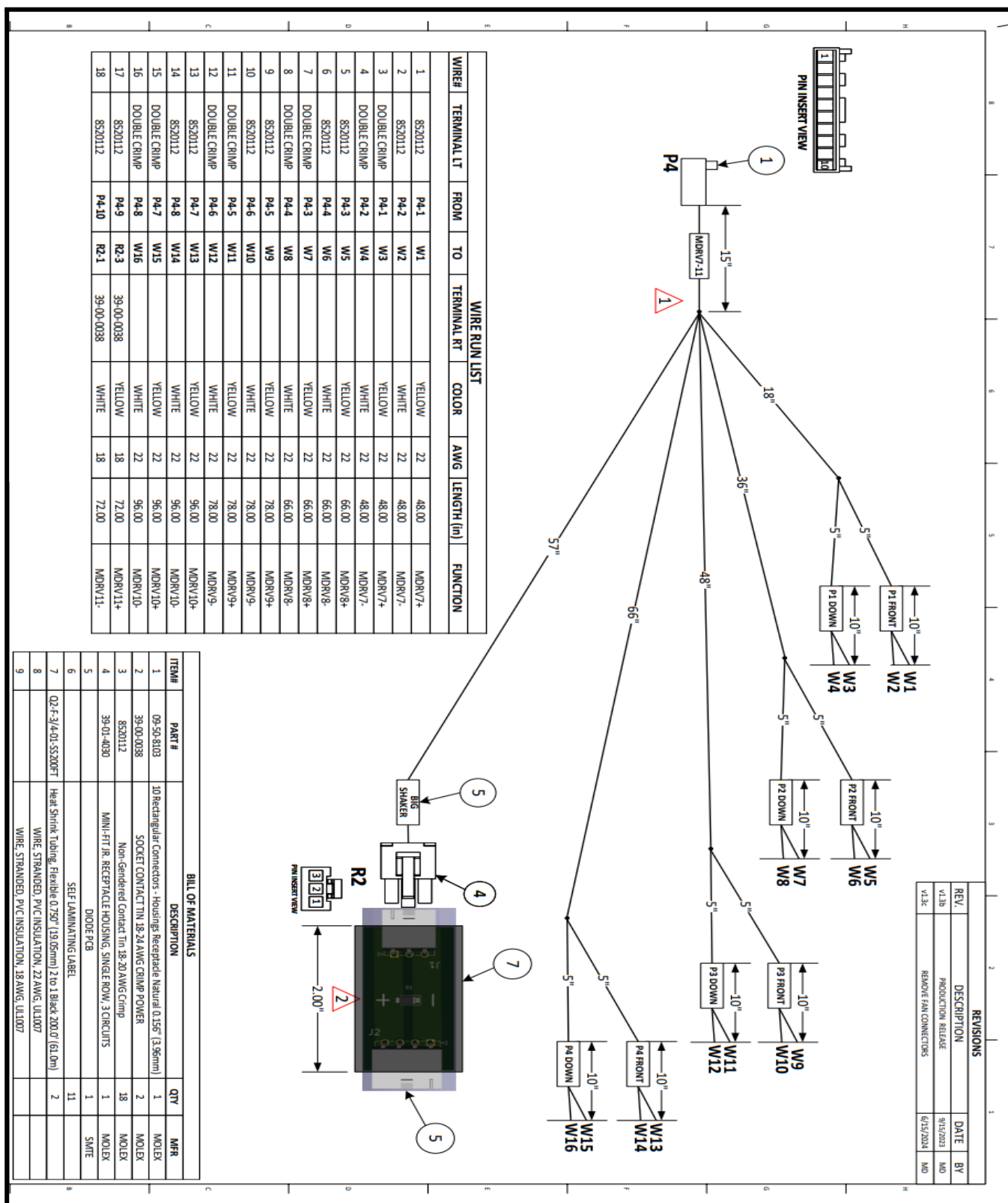


FIGURE 15. LED WIRING CONNECTIONS DIAGRAM



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IO/T Power Harness

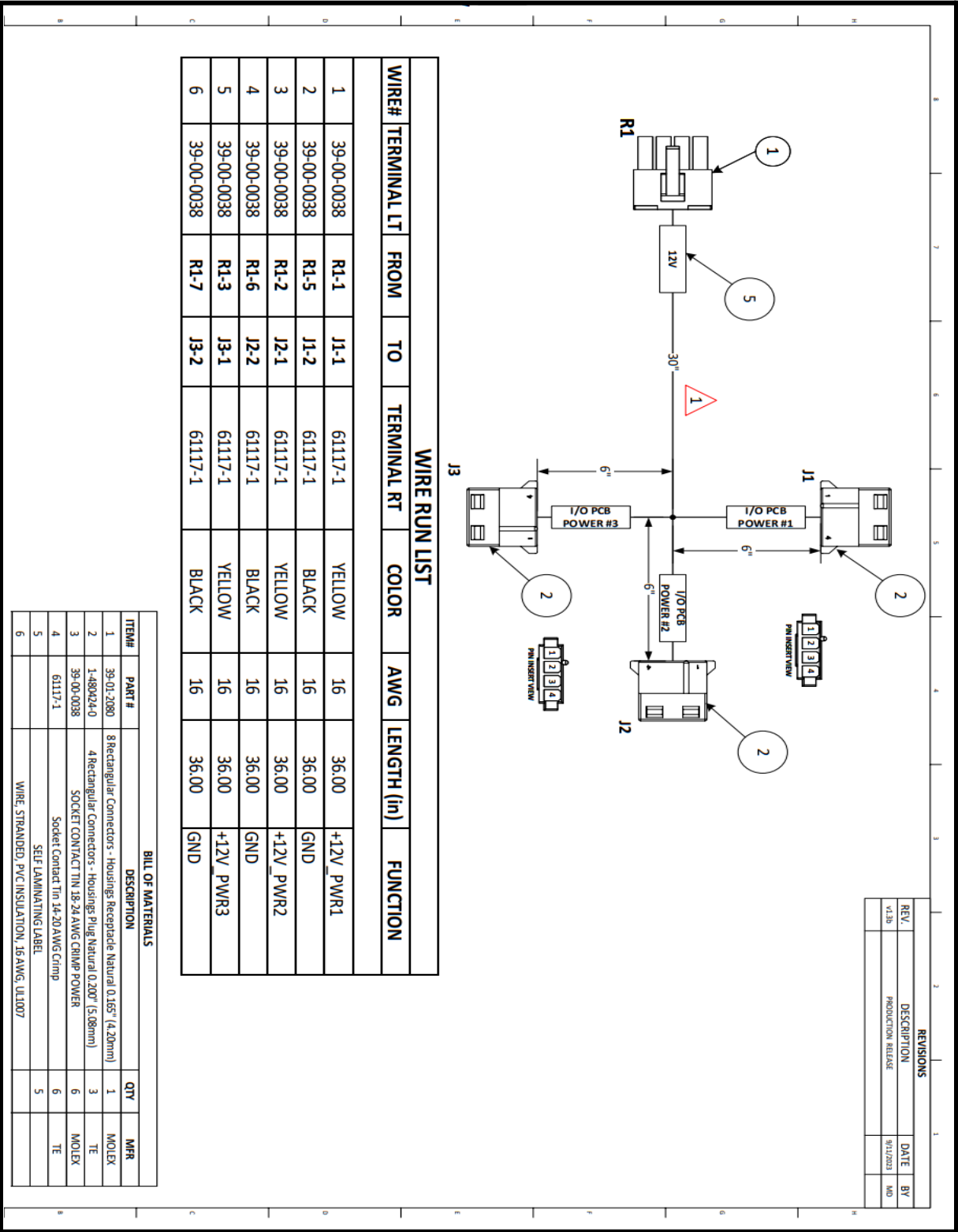


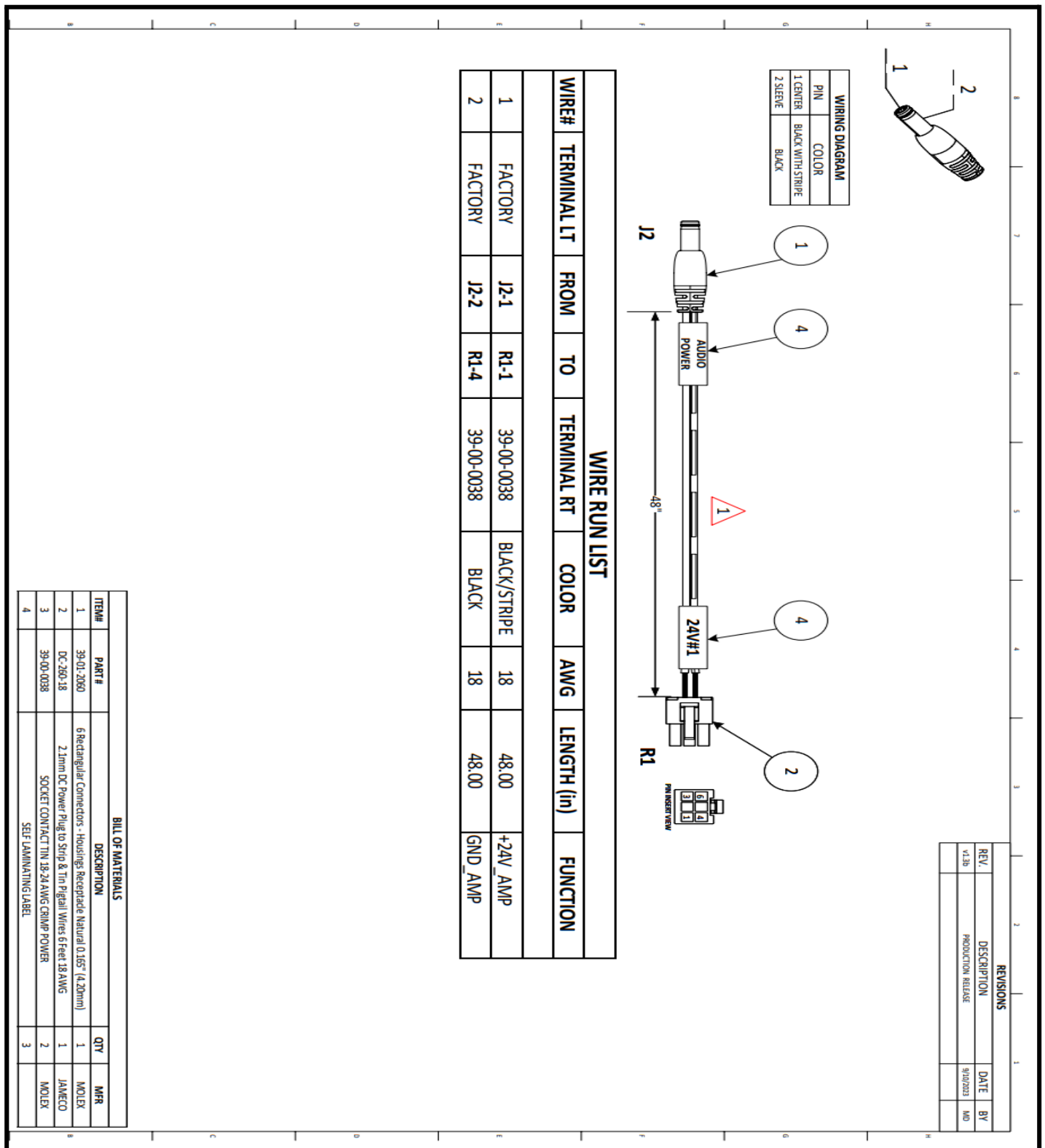
FIGURE 17. IO/T POWER HARNESS DIAGRAM



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Pinball Knocker (HDRV) Harness

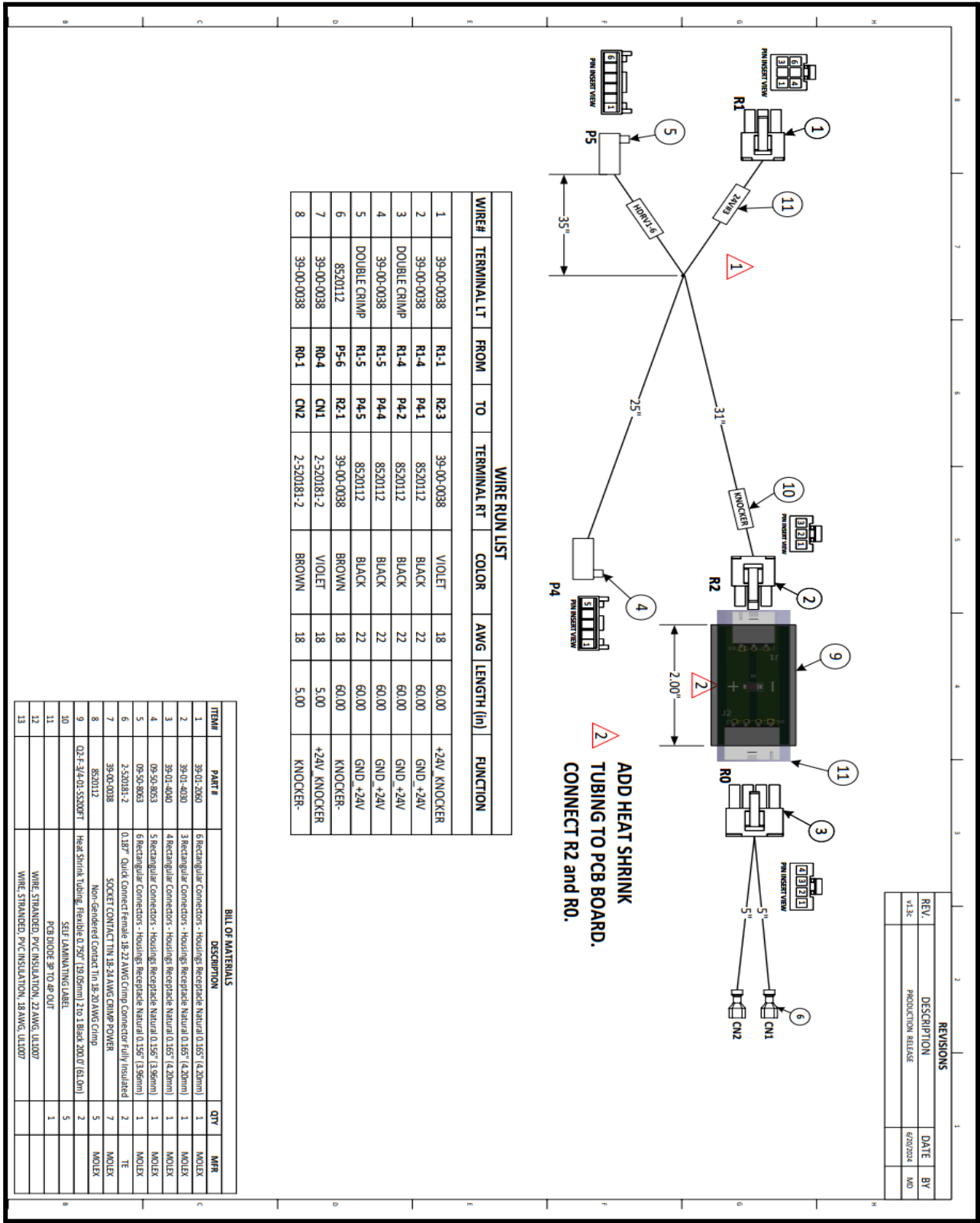
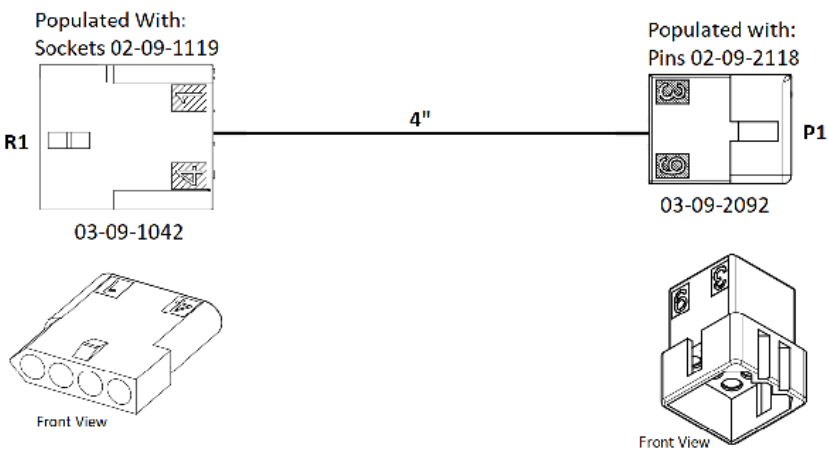


FIGURE 20. PINBALL KNOCKER (HDRV) HARNESS DIAGRAM



Ticket Dispenser Wire Harness Adapter

Ticket Dispenser Wire Harness Adapter



Wire #	From	To	Color	AWG	Length
1	R1-1	P1-6	Blue	22	4"
2	R1-2	P1-9	Black	22	4"
3	R1-3	P1-8	White	22	4"
4	R1-4	P1-1	Red	22	4"

Notes:

- 1. Use sockets part# 02-09-1119 in R1
- 2. Use pins part# 02-09-2119 in P1



PARTS LIST

Part Name	Quantity	Part Number	Part Description/Web Link
VAS MCP (Motherboard)	1	AK2-VAS-8	ASUS-brand motherboard that operates the game.
VAS Asteroids Recharged Pro 2p Game Grid: M.2 Hard Drive	1	AR2P-VAS-16	SSD hard drive that is plugged into the M.2 slot on the motherboard.
RAM	2	AK2-VAS-12	G.SKILL Ripjaws V Series 16GB (2 x 8GB) 288-Pin PC RAM DDR4 3200 (PC4 25600) Desktop Memory Model F4-3200C16D-16GVKB
CPU	1	AK2-VAS-11	AMD Ryzen 5 5600X 6-core, 12-Thread Unlocked Desktop Processor with Wraith Stealth Cooler
Wi-Fi Card (M.2)	1	AK2-VAS-10	M.2 style WiFi board. WiFi antenna plugs into this.
PCB Standoffs	4	AK2-VAS-13	Feet that keep the motherboard above the wood, prevents ground issues
VAS 800 IO/T	1	AK4-VAS-6	The proprietary Alan-1 I/O board
Control Panel Vinyl	1	AR2P-VYL-101	Printed vinyl artwork for the control panel
Hood Vinyl	1	AR2P-VYL-103	Printed vinyl artwork for the top portion of the game cabinet
Speaker Vinyl	1	AR2P-VYL-100	Printed vinyl for the speaker section between the monitor and marquee hood
Buttons (Start)	2	AR2P-I/P-4	“Volcano cone” shaped start buttons
Buttons (Start nut)	2	AR2P-I/P-5	Nut that holds the Start buttons in place
Buttons (Blue)	4	AR2P-I/P-7	D-LED backlit game button in blue
Buttons (Green)	2	AR2P-I/P-6	D-LED backlit game button in green
Buttons (Red)	2	AR2P-I/P-8	D-LED backlit game button in red
Buttons (White)	2	AR2P-I/P-9	D-LED backlit game button in white
Acrylic Fan Guard	1	AK2-ACR-1	Black piece that sits between the fans and the outer control panel
Acrylic Hood Diffusers	2	AK2-ACR-2	LED diffusers for lighting effect
Acrylic Light Covers		AK2-ACR-3	LED covers



Hinges		AK2-CAB-10	Hinges that are used inside of the control panel
Hinge Plates		AK2-CAB-105	Plates that the hinges attach to
Hood LEDs		AK2-LED-1	White LEDs inside of the marquee/hood area
Raffix Screws		AR2P-CAB-12	
Raffix Cams		AR2P-CAB-11	
T-Molding (Inft)	2	AK2-CAB-3	Purple T-molding that protects the sides of the cabinet
Monitor Bezel Glass Screen	1	AR2P-GLS-101	Protective glass with printed art around the edges
Coin Box	1	AR2-CAB-2	Metal container that securely houses the coin bucket
Marquee (2P Pro)	1	AR2P-GLS-100	Printed art that shows the game title
Marquee Hardware		AK2-CAB-13	LED & spacer hardware for the marquee
Handles	2	AK2-CAB-28	Handles for moving the game cabinet
Leg Levelers	2	AK2-CAB-16	
Casters	2	AK2-CAB-9	
LED Channel		AK2-LED-3	
LED Strips		AK2-LED-2	
LED Strip Connectors			
VAS Portal (32" Monitor 4K)	1	AK2-VAS-1	Wei-ya brand, open frame 32" 4K monitor
Audio amplifier	1	AK2-AUD-1	Includes subwoofer & controls
Left/Right Speaker pair	2	AK2-AUD-2	
VAS Energy Distribution Unit (PDB-JH-01)	1	AK2-VAS-7	Main power supply
Pinball Kicker	1	AK2-TOY-1	Solenoid that hits the cabinet when activated by the game.
Small Shaker	1	AK2-TOY-2	Small "rumble effect" motor which creates a smaller effect than the large shaker.
Large Shaker	1	AK2-TOY-3	Large "rumble effect" motor which creates a larger effect than the small shaker.
Fans	2	AK2-TOY-4	A centrifugal fan device for blowing air onto the player's hands.
Settings Switch	1	AK2-I/P-3	Also known as the service switch, this activates



			the Operator Menu when the game is on.
Control Panel Latch	1	AK2-CAB-17	Metal latch that holds the control panel in place
I/O Edge Connector	1	AR2P-W/H-100	Black plastic connector that houses wiring pins and connects the wire harness to the I/O board.
HDVR 1		AK2-W/H-12	Part of the Wiring Harness system (24V)
MDVR 1		AK2-W/H-13	Part of the Wiring Harness system (12V)
MDVR 2		AK2-W/H-14	Part of the Wiring Harness system (12V)
MDVR 3		AK2-W/H-15	Part of the Wiring Harness system (12V)
Monitor Power	1	AK2-W/H-10	Power cable to the monitor
HDMI Video cable	1	AK2-W/H-21	HDMI Cable, 4K, 4' length
USB-B		AK2-W/H-4	Powered USB cable for the I/O board
Audio Cable		AK2-W/H-2	3.5mm audio cable
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CONDITIONS: The original purchaser must register the Limited Manufacturer's Warranty by completing the Product Registration Form on the Alan-1 Operators App (available on iOS/Android) within fifteen days of purchase or invoice. In the event of a warranty for the above Coverage to apply, the Original Purchaser must open a trouble ticket on www.alan-1.com or call 844-44-ALAN-1. Service related questions can also be sent via email to support@alan-1.com

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GLOSSARY OF TERMS

AC

Alternating current; from zero it rises to a maximum positive level, then passes through zero again to a maximum negative level.

ACTIVE STATE

The true state of a signal. For example:
The active state for START is low.

ADDRESS

A value that identifies a specific location of data in memory; normally expressed in hexadecimal notation.

ANALOG

Measurable in an absolute quantity (as opposed to on or off). Analog devices are volume controls, light dimmers, stereo amplifiers, etc.

ANODE

The positive (arrow) end of a diode.

AMPLIFIER

A device used to increase the strength of an applied signal.

AMPLITUDE

The maximum instantaneous value of a waveform pulse from zero.

ASTABLE

Having no normal state. An astable device will free-run or oscillate as long as operating voltage is applied. The oscillation frequency is usually controlled by external circuitry.

AUXILIARY COIN SWITCH

A momentary-contact pushbutton switch with a black cap located on the utility panel. The auxiliary coin switch adds credits to the game without activating a coin counter. Better known as the **SERVICE CREDIT** button

BEZEL

A cut, formed, or machined retention device, such as the conical device used to mount a pushbutton switch to a control panel, or the formed device used to frame the video display screen.



BIDIRECTIONAL

Able to send or receive data on the same line (e.g., the data bus of a microprocessor).

BINARY

A number system that expresses all values by using two digits (0 and 1).

BIT

A binary digit; expressed as 1 or 0.

BLOCK DIAGRAM

A drawing in which functional circuitry units are represented by blocks. Very useful during initial troubleshooting.

BUFFER

1. An isolating circuit designed to eliminate the reaction of a driven circuit on the circuits driving it (e.g., a buffer amplifier).
2. A device used to supply additional drive capability.

BUS

An electrical path over which information is transferred from any of several sources to any of several destinations. Found on PCBs like motherboards and I/O boards.

CAPACITOR

A device capable of storing electrical energy. A capacitor blocks the flow of DC current while allowing AC current to pass. Look like small, round cylinders.

CARD READER

A device, usually with a color LCD screen, which allows the machine to use a specially programmed card to pay for the game, as opposed to coins.

CASH BOX

The lower portion of the coin door which contains a bucket that catches the coins. Secured to help prevent theft.

CATHODE

The negative end of a diode.

CHIP

An integrated circuit comprising many circuits on a single wafer slice.

CLOCK

A repetitive timing signal for synchronizing system functions.

COIN COUNTER

A 6-digit electromechanical device that counts the coins inserted in the coin mechanism(s).



COIN MECHANISM

A device on the inside of the coin door that inspects the coin to determine if the correct coin has been inserted. Slang terms: **Coin Mech** or just **Mech**

COMPLEMENTARY

Having opposite states, such as the outputs of a flip-flop.

CPU

Central Processing Unit. These are the brains of a computer, where principle calculations take place. They require an elaborate cooling system. CPUs are designed by companies like Intel and AMD.

CREDIT

A digital measurement unit that counts as one play for one person based on the game switch settings.

DATA

General term for the numbers, letters, and symbols that serve as input for device processing.

DBA or DBV

Short for Dollar Bill Acceptor or Dollar Bill Validator

DC

Direct current, meaning current flowing in one direction and of a fixed value.

DIAGNOSTICS

A programmed routine for checking circuitry. For example: the self-test is a diagnostic routine.

DIODE

A semiconductor device that conducts electrical current in only one direction.

DISCRETE

Non-integrated components, such as resistors, capacitors, and transistors.

DOWN TIME

The period during which a game is malfunctioning or not operating correctly due to machine failure.

GRAPHICS CARD

A device which contains a Graphics Processing Unit (GPU) and other components made to draw the frames of a screen. The more powerful the graphics card, the higher fidelity graphics a computer can produce. Also known as the video card. Alan-1 Arcade games use an integrated card, meaning it cannot be removed/separated from the motherboard.

HARNESS

A prefabricated assembly of insulated wires and terminals ready to be attached to a piece of equipment. Also known as the “**WIRING HARNESS.**”



HEXADECIMAL

A number system using the equivalent of the decimal number 16 as a base. The symbols 0-9 and A-F are usually used.

I/O

Input/Output. Within Asteroids Recharged, the I/O board is also known as the 800 IOT

KNOCKER

An electronically-driven solenoid device that will create a loud “knocking” sound when activated

LED

The abbreviation for a light-emitting diode. “RGB LED” refers to multi-colored LEDs

MARQUEE

The top space of the arcade kiosk, generally with artwork and the title of the game

MOTHERBOARD

The complex printed circuit board (PCB) which contains the CPU, RAM, SSD, video/graphics card, and various ports that the game needs to function. Features a fan on top of the CPU.

PCB

The abbreviation for a printed-circuit board.

POTENTIOMETER

1. A resistor that has a continuously moving contact which is generally mounted on a moving shaft. Used chiefly as a voltage divider. Also called a “pot” (slang).

2. An instrument for measuring a voltage by balancing it against a known voltage.

These are frequently used in arcade controls for analog input (mounted guns, shifters, yoke controls)

POWER SUPPLY UNIT (PSU)

A metal box that contains the components for driving power to the arcade cabinet.

RANDOM ACCESS MEMORY (RAM)

A device for the temporary storage of data. These are long, thin, and rectangular and are located on the motherboard. Usually measured in gigabytes of capacity (ex. 8GB or 16GB).

RESISTOR

A device designed to have a definite amount of resistance. Used in circuits to limit current flow or to provide a voltage drop.

ROM

Read-only memory. A device for the permanent storage of data. Older games had “ROM chips” to store game data, whereas Asteroids Recharged uses an SSD device for storing data, which can both read and write data for use.



RUMBLE FEEDBACK

An effect produced by a specialized motor with an off-set weight to create the sensation of shaking the cabinet. Used in all game console gamepads on a smaller scale, whereas Alan-1's rumble motors are larger.

SOLID STATE DRIVE (SSD)

Semiconductor-based data storage medium. As opposed to hard drives, there are no moving parts nor magnets, meaning that data access is much faster. These connect using the "M.2" standard.

TOYS

Alan-1's term for the special hardware features that are used on our cabinets, such as the cabinet knocker, rumble feedback motors, and wind effect fans.

TROUBLESHOOT

The process of locating and repairing a fault.

WATCHDOG

A counter circuit or program designed to protect the microprocessor from self-destruction if a program malfunction occurs. If a malfunction does occur, the counter applies continuous pulses to the reset line of the microprocessor, which causes the microprocessor to keep resetting.



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