

Level Engineering - Game Idee:

- 3D Horde-FPS inspired by Vampire-Survivor-likes and COD:Zombies
- Ziel/Gameplay-loop:
 - Survive waves of (zombie-like) enemies by fleeing, dodging and shooting them
 - Each killed enemy drops currency that can be collected
 - Buy upgrades located all around the level with the currency for a better chance of surviving the next wave
- Level Engineering Challenges:
 - Maps are bigger areas connected by small corridors
 - size of areas and corridors determines difficulty
 - -> get good overall size balance by using metrics
 - Upgrades are located all over the map
 - player thus need to be able to orientate in the level
 - -> use districts and landmarks for easy navigation





Level Engineering - Presentation

Game Concept:

- Horde-FPS
- Wave-based
- Enemies get stronger every wave
- Survive by shooting them and running away
- On death, enemies drop currency
- Buy upgrades with currency at special upgrade stations across the map (not implemented yet)

Game Theme / World Idea:

- Amusement park with medievil setting
- Thus mainly medievil buildings but maybe some modern technology (badly) hidden
- Some kind of monsters roam the park at night
- Player breaks into park at night...

Level Engineering - Tools

No-Clip-Tool:

- leave player character to fly around without collisions
- teleport player character
- o pause / play during no-clip

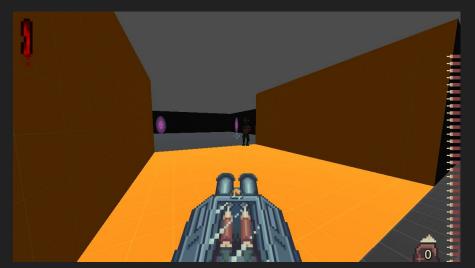
Cheatmodule:

- cheat coins
- make yourself invincible
- skip to next round

Playtest area:

- o two rooms connected by one corridor
 - change size of rooms and corridor during play to find good metrics
- (somehow broke with newer versions of the code)

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Drag-N-Drop Play Button:

- drag the button into a 3d scene to start the scene from that position
- automatically detects and teleports player character
- does not modify the scene, or needs modification of the scene

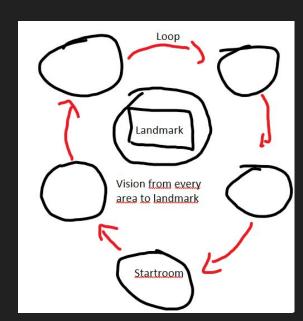
On Click Nav Generation Button:

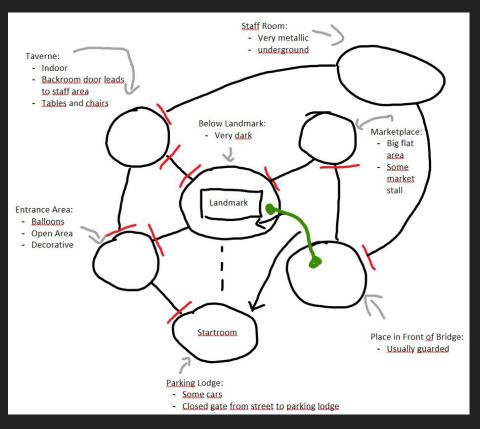
- One click to generate Nav Mesh for entire scene
- Godot cannot generate nav mesh at import
- Copies all meshes under Nav Mesh node, generates nav mesh then deletes copies

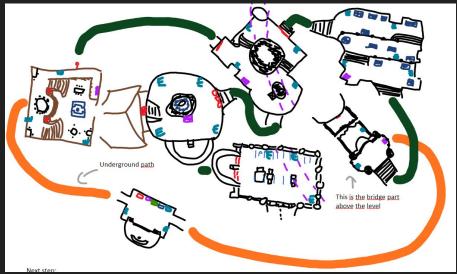




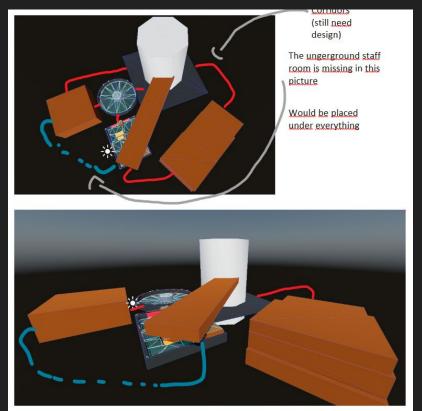
- Supposed to be introduction (at first)
- -> Theme-wise: breaking into amusement park
- -> Gameplay-wise:
 - Simple beginning
 - Good orientation through big landmark in middle
 - Last room leads into first room again
 - Rooms being distinguishable districts





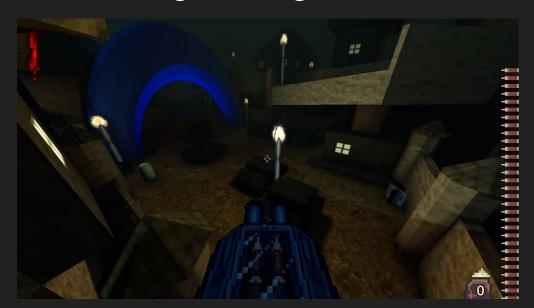


Rough layout -> Room sketches

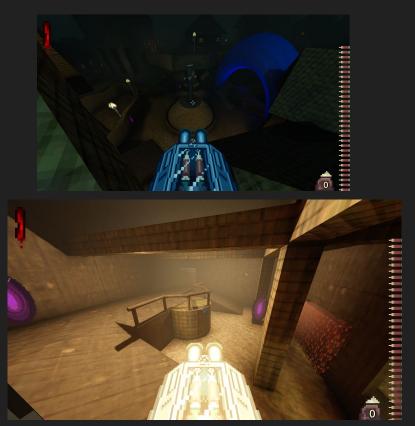




Rough 3D layout -> Room sketches realized in Blender



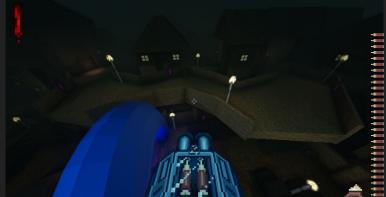




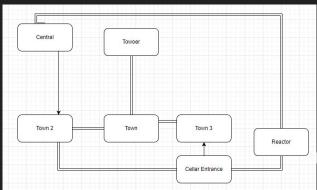


Screenshots with Post-processing





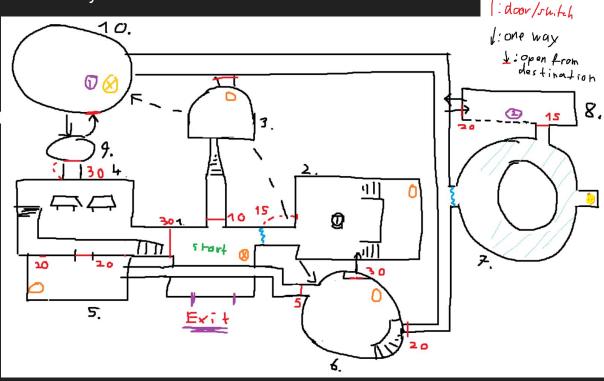
Level Engineering - Total Map Layout



Based on Two Ideas:

- 1. See the whole map from a tower
- 2. Open the exit with two switches located in the sci fi area

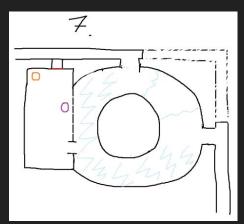
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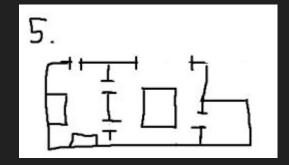
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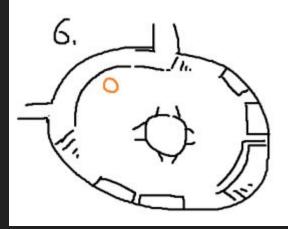
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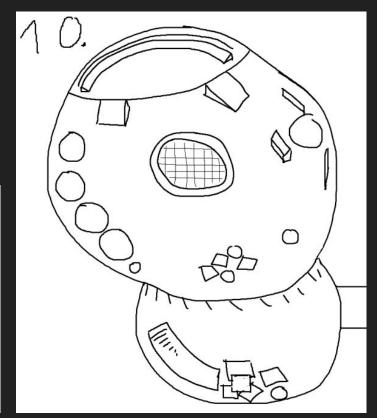
Level Engineering - Control Center Single Room Layouts



Lots of small sketches of single rooms







Level Engineering - Mood Board





The Round Rooms are important

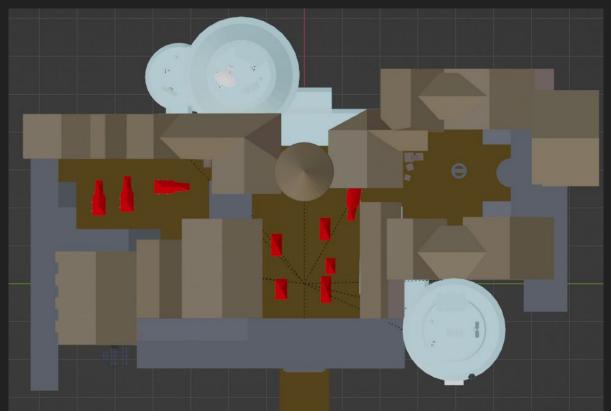


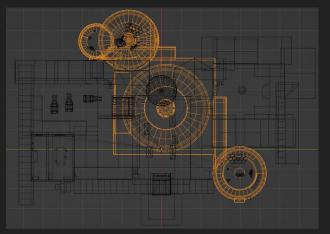




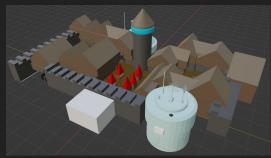


Level Engineering - Map and Final Layout

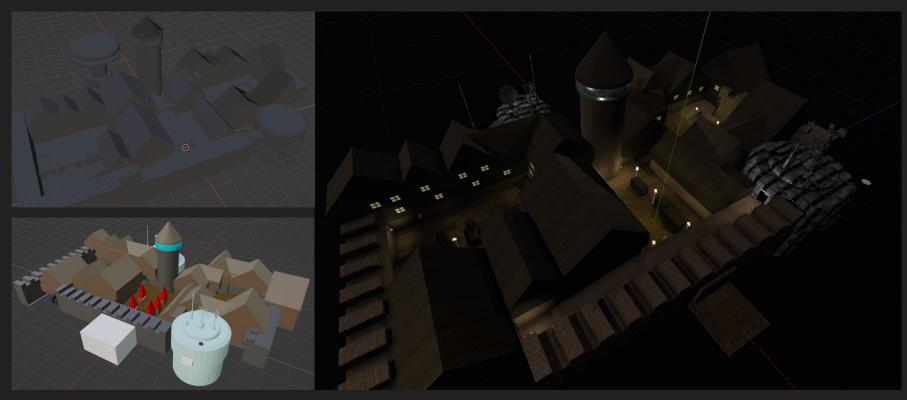




Map In Blender



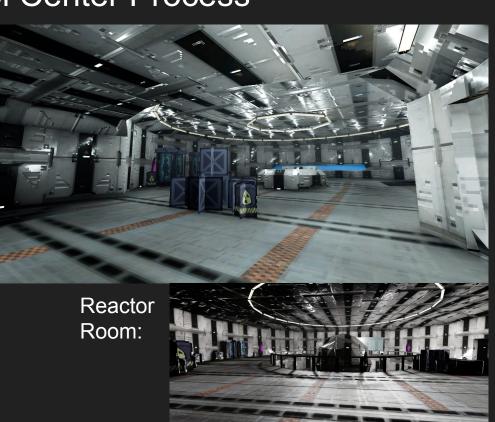
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Command Room:
Outside and Inside





Level Engineering - Control Center Impressions

The first 3 Areas:



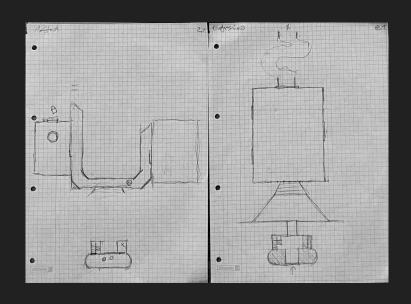


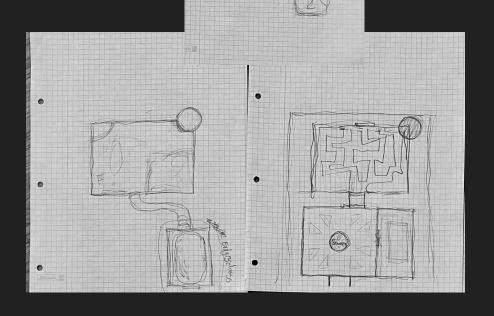


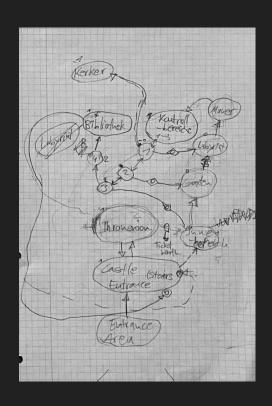
Concept:

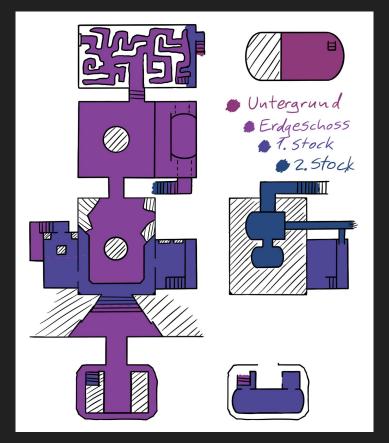
- Castle Area, with garden and labyrinth
- See through walls
- Moving through areas and, later, their surveillance rooms

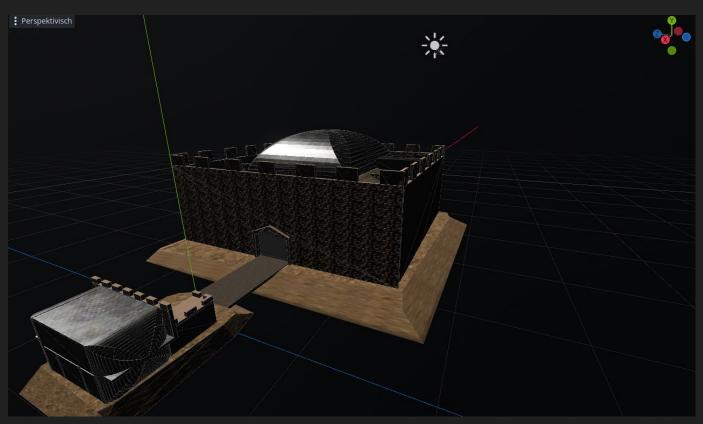
Concept Sketch











Level Engineering - Castle Impressions



