Me, Myself & Die GDD-Lite

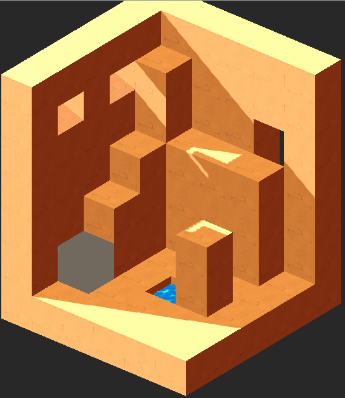
Version History

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| Version | Date | Changes |
| 0.1 | 1 July | Initial notes |
| 0.2 | 5 July | Fleshed out, initial draft complete |
| 0.3 | 10 July | * Clarifications on laser location * Hazards & non-hazards listed by importance * Removed alternate theme concepts |
| 0.4 | 20 July | * Added Unity object placement specifications   + move to tech doc later? * Added *Camera* section * Added *Level Design* section |

Overview

MM&D is an isometric level-based puzzle game with an Egyptian theme.

The player must orchestrate their death in specific locations, then use the resulting corpse-blocks as steps and bounce-pads to reach each level’s exit.

Camera

Isometric, Fixed, Diagonal

* Mounted slightly off the diagonal to prevent complete obstruction of hidden areas
  + Angle currently **30, 230, 0**
  + Perfect diagonal would be 225, not 230

Level Transitions

* Current level rotates away clockwise on Y to bring in new level
* Lighting remains fixed relative to scene

Loop

Move -> Die -> Respawn, leaving corpse-block at site of death

Move -> climb onto / bounce off corpse-block -> Reach exit -> Next level

Core Mechanics

Corpse-Blocks

Each time the player dies, they leave a corpse-block at that location. Respawning at the start of that level, the player can then use these corpse-blocks:

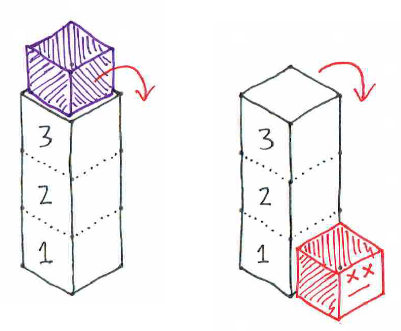
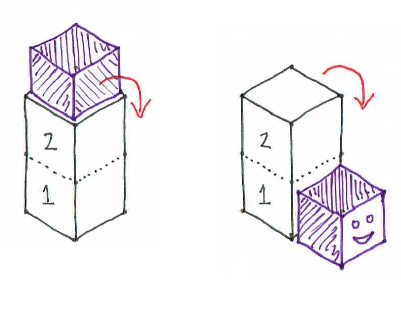
as Stairs

* Player can climb onto corpse-blocks as they would any 1-high block
* Useful as stairs to access areas that are 2-high

as Bounce-Pads

* If player falls onto a corpse-block from any height, they bounce
* Bounce moves player 2 upwards & 1 forwards in the direction of travel

Hazards



*Fall from 2-high block is safe  
Fall from 3-high block is lethal*

The player can use these hazards to orchestrate their death.

Falling (essential)

* Falling from height 3+ onto a surface kills the player

Static Hazard (essential)

* Occupies a ground-tile
* Entering the tile kills the player

Water (high importance)

* Occupies a ground-tile
* Functions as a static hazard, but leaves no corpse-block
  + Existing corpses still increment
  + Can be used by the player to ‘reset’ the level

Laser (essential)

* Beam from an emitter embedded in any wall, ceiling, or pillar (N-high block)
* Beam covers a line of tiles until it collides with a wall, push-block, or corpse
* Tiles beyond the point of collision are not covered by the laser, even if they were previously
* Entering any beam tile kills the player

Non-hazards

These objects may appear in levels, but do not directly harm the player.

Fan (high importance)

* Set into a wall or pillar
* Shunts the player, corpse-blocks, and push-blocks along a line until they hit something

Piston (low importance)

* Set into a wall, floor, or pillar
* Extends across a set number of tiles
* Shunts the player, corpse-blocks, and push-blocks that enter these tiles

Push-Block (moderate importance)

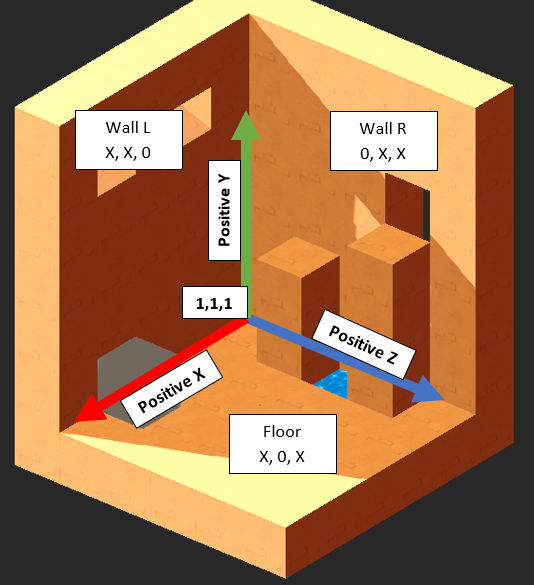
* May be moved around by the player
  + If the player moves from an adjacent space towards the push-block, the push-block is shunted ahead of the player
  + If the push-block is prevented from moving by another object in its path, the player will climb on top of it instead

Level Design

Area

* 5x5 to 7x7 grid
* Level height either always 6, or always *N+1*

Technical



Controls

Movement

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* Tap in screen quadrants or swipe in any direction
  + Player moves into empty space
  + If target space is occupied by a 1-high object, player climbs on top of it
  + If target space is occupied by a 2-high object or higher, movement in this direction is not possible

Theme

See *Art Bible* for actual detail.

Egyptian Sandstone

Terrain Sandstone blocks

Player Alien cube

Fan Portal-style beam?

Static Fire

Water Water-pit

Laser Laser-crystal, possibly emanating from scarab housing?