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Penumbral Reflections

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Fig. 1 A big black egg in an orthogonal nest? [Photograph by David St George]

There is something slightly disconcerting about walking into an unfamiliar dark room, especially when there is a weird thing in the middle of it, but it also ignites my curiosity. The room, in this case, is the main gallery at Objectspace, and the weird thing was made by Aaron Paterson and Sarosh Mulla, both of PAC Studio and the University of Auckland School of Architecture and Planning. At first glance, it looks like a big black egg in an orthogonal nest, but it's not.

What is it? The big black egg is in fact a dark-tinted reflective disc. From the side at which I arrived, it is totally black, which is why it looks like an egg, but when I move around it I can see it has a slightly convex curve that distorts