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TO MAKE THE FIRST BASKETBALL PROGRAM that feels like the real thing, it helps to start with two guys who know what the real thing feels like.

Enter Larry Bird and Julius Erving. Bird – the hustler, the strong man, deadly from outside. Erving — The Doctor, maybe the most explosive player in the history of the game.

We talked to them, photographed them in action, studied their moves and their stats and their styles. Then we set out to create on computer disc an event which may never happen in real life. We put the two of them together on a dream court of light, for an electronic afternoon of one-on-one.

It wasn’t easy. When they talked, we listened. When they criticized, we made big changes. When they gave suggestions, we took them.

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It’s called Julius Erving and Larry Bird Go One-on-One: You’re Bird. Or you’re The Doctor. And that’s the last decision you’ll have plenty of time to make.

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