Project summary - Blobby adventure

This platformer expanded beyond a basic p5.js exercise into a miniature systems project. The colourful and joyful design was made in collaboration with my youngest nephew.

Key extensions implemented:

Added all 3 extensions cited in the assignment

- 1. Added sounds effects and looping music
- 2. Used the factory pattern to create platforms
- 3. Created enemies in the form of worms that when crushed makes the character loose a life

Most complex / difficult parts:

There are a lot of different parts and algorithms in this codebase that i found difficult to implement.

- 1. By far the most difficult feature to implement was the algorithm to procedurally generate all the world entities using procedural world resizing with density scaling.
- 2. The multi-layer parallax ecosystem (hills, clouds, three tree depths, mountains) tied to a noise-smoothed wind effect that gently moves trees and the other flora.
- 3. Platform generation with reachability & spacing constraints
- 4. Worm critter hazard with life penalty and splash effect
- 5. HUD elements

also ...

- Rejection-sampling platform & canyon placement without overlaps while preserving jump reach.
- Balancing decorative density (trees / grass / flowers) to avoid visual noise yet keep the world alive.
- · Precise yet forgiving platform collision (vertical snap tolerance, drop-through).
- Maintaining deterministic feel while injecting subtle variation (per-worm parameters, coin pulse, particle fades) (took a long time to perfect it).

Skills learned / practiced:

As a senior developer the key concepts were already part of my skills, so i centered my effort to create more complex algorithms using math drom the computational math school module

- Procedural content generation heuristics (spacing, exclusion zones, probabilistic soft rejections) and performance guarding with bounded attempt loops.
- Lightweight physics integration (velocity + gravity) and stateful animation posing.
- · Parallax layering & environmental motion for depth.