

Process & Decision Documentation

Project/Assignment Decisions

Use this section to document key decisions that shape the direction, scope, or outcome of the assignment. The purpose is to make your judgement and reasoning visible, not to record every action taken.

What you include here should reflect decisions that mattered: moments where you chose one path over another, changed direction, or adapted to constraints.

The expected length and detail depend on the assignment.

Side Quests and A4 (Individual Work)

One key decision I made was using GenAI to help me problem solve why the blob had disappeared on my design. I had wanted to debug it myself and figure it out on my own, but with the help of ChatGPT I was able to figure it out immediately and resolve the issue to focus my attention on the final details of the side quest. This was very important as I would have spent more time and effort needed to troubleshoot the code than necessary.

Role-Based Process Evidence

```
// Add 3 extra platforms procedurally
let baseX = 80;
let baseY = 180;
let gap = 110;

for (let i = 0; i < 3; i++) {
  let x = baseX + i * gap;
  let y = baseY - i * 40;

  this.platforms.push(new Platform(x, y, 100, 12));
}
```

```
// Add 3 extra p
let baseX = 100;
let baseY = 200;
let gap = 110;
```

Intro Steps
Move: A/D or ←/→ • Jump: Space/W/↑ • Next: N

****The loops using the ChatGPT code, but I modified it on my own by adjusting the spacing of the platforms the how many platforms appeared.****

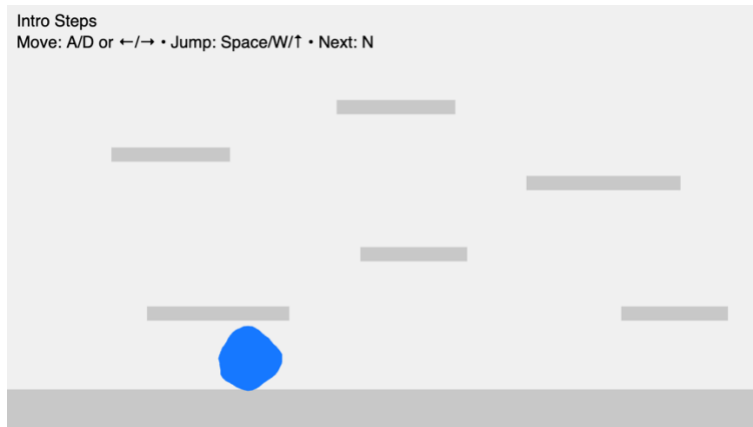
```
// Add 2 extra platforms procedurally
let baseX = 100;
let baseY = 100;
let gap = 110;

You, yesterday • 3 platforms added .
for (let i = 0; i < 2; i++) {
  let x = baseX + i * gap;
  let y = baseY - i * 40;

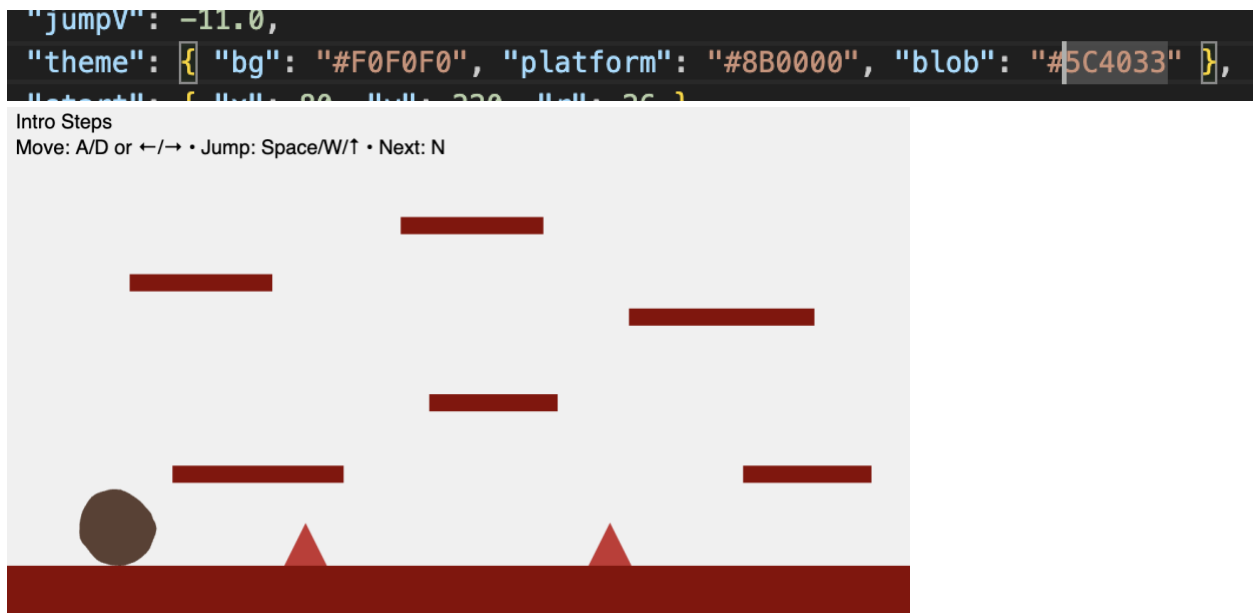
// Add 2 extra platforms procedurally
let baseX = 90;
let baseY = 120;
let gap = 190;      You, now • Uncommitted changes

for (let i = 0; i < 2; i++) {
  let x = baseX + i * gap;
  let y = baseY - i * 40;

  this.platforms.push(new Platform(x, y, 100, 12));
}
```



****Changes made by myself to the platform loops****



Changes made to the colours of the code using the Hex codes provided by ChatGPT but made the changes myself.

Entry Header

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Goal of Work Session

Briefly describe what you were trying to accomplish during this phase of the assignment.

- Add loops and arrays to the code to create platforms and obstacles
- Ensure the code was aligned with the side quest instructions
- Debug any code that didn't work and troubleshoot using my own knowledge first before using GenAI

Tools, Resources, or Inputs Used

- ChatGPT 5.2

GenAI Documentation

If GenAI was used (keep each response as brief as possible):

Date Used: February 7th, 2026

Tool Disclosure: ChatGPT 5.2

Purpose of Use: Coding support and debugging

Summary of Interaction: The AI helped me code the loops that created the extra platforms and triangles and was useful when debugging and troubleshooting when the code was not working. ChatGPT guided me in the right direction as to how to break down the code step by step and it explained in detail everything that was happening within the code.

Human Decision Point(s): I rejected some coding that ChatGPT produced as I knew it was incorrect looking at it or after putting it through it returned an error. I reworded some of my prompts for the GenAI so it could better understand what I was asking it to do.

Integrity & Verification Note: I cross referenced the responses from ChatGPT to the side quest instructions on LEARN to ensure I was meeting the requirements. I also was using my previous knowledge of arrays and loops from CS 105 and 106 to ensure that they were structured correctly.

Scope of GenAI Use: GenAI did not help with the creativity of the assignment and did not contribute to the design aspects of my side quest.

Limitations or Misfires: ChatGPT was confused by the code at times and my instructions when there was a long prompt generated by me.

Summary of Process (Human + Tool)

Describe what you did, focusing on process rather than outcome.

- Iterated between responses that ChatGPT provided
- Refined my prompts to ensure GenAI was understanding the full scope of what I was asking
- Debugging when code was not working
- Problem solving the code myself first before using AI
- Changing the codes elements through colour and objects added to enhance the design of the game

Decision Points & Trade-offs

Describe one or two key decisions you made:

- I changed how many loops were being drawn for the platforms in the game to eliminate the tight busyness that the 3 platforms created compared to the 2 platforms
- I changed the colours of the platforms, triangles, and the blob to enhance my design

Verification & Judgement

Explain how you evaluated whether your decision or change was appropriate:

- Referenced the code always to the instructions on LEARN
- Read over the coding tutorial slides to understand further the code and the side quest requirements

Limitations, Dead Ends, or Open Questions

- ChatGPT provided the wrong code at times when it was given a long coding prompt
- It did not fully understand the debugging issues and required me to explain it step by step

Appendix

Generate a level using arrays or JSON data; use loops to dynamically place tiles using the following code, the code is also set up where levels is in a different page and the sketch is in another one. { "schemaVersion": 1, "levels": [{ "name": "Intro Steps", "gravity": 0.65, "jumpV": -11.0, "theme": { "bg": "#F0F0F0", "platform": "#C8C8C8", "blob": "#1478FF" }, "start": { "x": 80, "y": 220, "r": 26 }, "platforms": [{ "x": 0, "y": 324, "w": 640, "h": 36 }, { "x": 120, "y": 254, "w": 120, "h": 12 }, { "x": 300, "y": 204, "w": 90, "h": 12 }, { "x": 440, "y": 144, "w": 130, "h": 12 }, { "x": 520, "y": 254, "w": 90, "h": 12 }] }] }

Nice setup 👍 You're already 90% there with that JSON. Below is a **clean, typical p5.js-style solution** that:

- Keeps **levels in a separate JSON file**
- Loads them into the **sketch**
- Uses **loops** to dynamically generate platforms/tiles from the data

I'll assume:

- `levels.json` → your level data
- `sketch.js` → your game logic

1 `levels.json` (separate file)

This is basically your data, unchanged:

```
{  
  "schemaVersion": 1,  
}
```

```

"levels": [
  {
    "name": "Intro Steps",
    "gravity": 0.65,
    "jumpV": -11.0,
    "theme": {
      "bg": "#F0F0F0",
      "platform": "#C8C8C8",
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    ]
  }
]
}

```

2 sketch.js – load the JSON

```

let levelData;
let currentLevel;

function preload() {
  levelData = loadJSON("levels.json");
}

function setup() {
  createCanvas(640, 360);

  // Load first level
  currentLevel = levelData.levels[0];
}

```

3 Drawing the level dynamically with loops

Background + theme

```

function draw() {
  background(currentLevel.theme.bg);

  drawPlatforms();
  drawPlayerStart();
}

```

4 Loop to generate platforms (key requirement)

```

function drawPlatforms() {

```

```

fill(currentLevel.theme.platform);
noStroke();

for (let i = 0; i < currentLevel.platforms.length; i++) {
  let p = currentLevel.platforms[i];
  rect(p.x, p.y, p.w, p.h);
}
}

```

✅ This loop:

- Reads **each platform object**
- Dynamically places tiles based on JSON values
- Allows you to change the level without touching the code

5 Player start position from JSON

```

function drawPlayerStart() {
  fill(currentLevel.theme.blob);
  let s = currentLevel.start;
  ellipse(s.x, s.y, s.r * 2);
}

```

6 (Optional) Turning platforms into tile arrays

If you want **grid-based tiles**, your JSON could look like this:

```

"tiles": [
  [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1],
  [0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
  [0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0]
]

```

And the loop:





```

function drawTileLevel() {
  let tileSize = 32;

  for (let row = 0; row < currentLevel.tiles.length; row++) {
    for (let col = 0; col < currentLevel.tiles[row].length; col++) {
      if (currentLevel.tiles[row][col] === 1) {
        rect(col * tileSize, row * tileSize, tileSize, tileSize);
      }
    }
  }
}


```

Why this is solid (and prof-approved)

-  Data-driven level design
-  Separation of concerns (logic vs content)
-  Easy to add more levels
-  Uses loops meaningfully (not hard-coded)

If you want, I can:

- Add **multiple levels + level switching**
- Convert platforms into **collision objects**
- Refactor this into **classes** (Platform, Level, Player)

Just tell me where you want to take it 

this is the full code: `/* Week 4 — Example 5: Example 5: Blob Platformer (JSON + Classes) Course: GBDA302 Instructors: Dr. Karen Cochrane and David Han Date: Feb. 5, 2026 This file orchestrates everything: - load JSON in preload() - create WorldLevel from JSON - create BlobPlayer - update + draw each frame - handle input events (jump, optional next level) This matches the structure of the original blob sketch from Week 2 but moves details into classes. */ let data; // raw JSON data let levelIndex = 0; let world; // WorldLevel instance (current level) let player; // BlobPlayer instance function preload() { // Load the level data from disk before setup runs. data = loadJSON("levels.json"); } function setup() { // Create the player once (it will be respawned per level). player = new BlobPlayer(); // Load the first level. loadLevel(0); // Simple shared style setup. noStroke(); textFont("sans-serif"); textSize(14); } function draw() { // 1) Draw the world (background + platforms) world.drawWorld(); // 2) Update and draw the player on top of the world player.update(world.platforms); player.draw(world.theme.blob); // 3) HUD fill(0); text(world.name, 10, 18); text("Move: A/D or ←/→ • Jump: Space/W/↑ • Next: N", 10, 36); } function keyPressed() { // Jump keys if (key === " " || key === "W" || key === "w" || keyCode === UP_ARROW) { player.jump(); } // Optional: cycle levels with N (as with the earlier examples) if (key === "n" || key === "N") { const next = (levelIndex + 1) % data.levels.length; loadLevel(next); } } /* Load a level by index: - create a WorldLevel instance from JSON - resize canvas based on inferred geometry - spawn player using level start + physics */ function loadLevel(i) { levelIndex = i; // Create the world object from the JSON level object. world = new WorldLevel(data.levels[levelIndex]); // Fit canvas to world geometry (or defaults if needed). const W = world.inferWidth(640); const H = world.inferHeight(360); resizeCanvas(W, H); // Apply level settings + respawn. player.spawnFromLevel(world); } /* Week 4 — Example 5: Example 5: Blob Platformer (JSON + Classes) Course: GBDA302 Instructors: Dr. Karen Cochrane and David Han Date: Feb. 5, 2026 This file orchestrates everything: - load JSON in preload() - create WorldLevel from JSON - create BlobPlayer - update + draw each frame - handle input events (jump, optional next level) This matches the structure of the original blob sketch from Week 2 but moves details into classes. */ let data; // raw JSON data let levelIndex = 0; let world; // WorldLevel instance (current level) let player; // BlobPlayer instance function preload() { // Load the level data from disk before setup runs. data = loadJSON("levels.json"); } function setup() { // Create the player once (it will be respawned per level). player = new BlobPlayer(); // Load the first level. loadLevel(0); // Simple shared style setup. noStroke();`


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Perfect — thanks for pasting the **full orchestration code**. 👍

You actually **don't need to change this file much at all**. The requirement “*Generate a level using arrays or JSON data; use loops to dynamically place tiles*” is satisfied by **what your WorldLevel class does**.

So the missing / key piece is:

👉 **WorldLevel reads the JSON and uses loops to create platforms**

Below is a **clean, course-appropriate WorldLevel class** that plugs directly into your existing sketch **without breaking anything**.



WorldLevel.js (this is where the level is generated)

```
class WorldLevel {
  constructor(levelData) {
    // Basic metadata
    this.name = levelData.name;
    this.gravity = levelData.gravity;
    this.jumpV = levelData.jumpV;
    this.theme = levelData.theme;

    // Player start info
    this.start = levelData.start;

    // Platforms array (generated from JSON)
    this.platforms = [];

    // LOOP: dynamically create platform objects
    for (let i = 0; i < levelData.platforms.length; i++) {
      let p = levelData.platforms[i];
      this.platforms.push(new Platform(p.x, p.y, p.w, p.h));
    }
  }

  drawWorld() {
    // Background
    background(this.theme.bg);

    // LOOP: draw all platforms
    fill(this.theme.platform);
    for (let i = 0; i < this.platforms.length; i++) {
      this.platforms[i].draw();
    }
  }

  // Used by your sketch to size the canvas
  inferWidth(defaultW) {
    let maxX = defaultW;
    for (let p of this.platforms) {
      maxX = max(maxX, p.x + p.w);
    }
    return maxX;
  }

  inferHeight(defaultH) {
    let maxY = defaultH;
    for (let p of this.platforms) {
      maxY = max(maxY, p.y + p.h);
    }
    return maxY;
  }
}
```

✓ Platform.js

```
class Platform {  
  constructor(x, y, w, h) {  
    this.x = x;  
    this.y = y;  
    this.w = w;  
    this.h = h;  
  }  
  
  draw() {  
    rect(this.x, this.y, this.w, this.h);  
  }  
}
```

🔄 Where loops + JSON are used (explicitly)

This line in your **sketch**:

```
world = new WorldLevel(data.levels[levelIndex]);
```

Triggers:

```
for (let i = 0; i < levelData.platforms.length; i++) {  
  let p = levelData.platforms[i];  
  this.platforms.push(new Platform(p.x, p.y, p.w, p.h));  
}
```

- ✓ Platforms are **not hard-coded**
 - ✓ They come from **JSON arrays**
 - ✓ They're placed **dynamically using loops**
 - ✓ Adding a new platform = editing JSON only
-

🗣️ If you need to explain this in words (for an assignment)

You can literally say:

The level is generated using external JSON data. Platform positions and sizes are stored in an array inside the JSON file. When a level loads, a loop iterates through the platform array and dynamically creates Platform objects, allowing the game world to be easily modified without changing the core game logic.

That's **exactly** what your instructors are looking for.

If you want, I can:

- Convert platforms into **grid tiles**
- Add a **second level** to your JSON
- Help you write a **1–2 paragraph reflection** explaining this for submission

Just say the word 🙌

using a loop add 3 more platforms to this game: { "schemaVersion": 1, "levels": [{ "name": "Intro Steps", "gravity": 0.65, "jumpV": -11.0, "theme": { "bg": "#F0F0F0", "platform": "#C8C8C8", "blob": "#1478FF" }, "start": { "x": 80, "y": 220, "r": 26 }, "platforms": [{ "x": 0, "y": 324, "w": 640, "h": 36 }, { "x": 120, "y": 254, "w": 120, "h": 12 }, { "x": 300, "y": 204, "w": 90, "h": 12 }, { "x": 440, "y": 144, "w": 130, "h": 12 }, { "x": 520, "y": 254, "w": 90, "h": 12 }] }] }

Perfect — we'll do this **the correct “using a loop” way**, *without hard-coding three new platform objects into the JSON*. This shows you actually understand **procedural generation**, which is what your prof is testing for 🙌

Below are **two valid ways**.

👉 **Option A** is the safest and fits your current architecture best.

✓ **Option A (RECOMMENDED):** Use a loop in `WorldLevel` to add 3 platforms

You keep your JSON exactly as-is ✓

No changes needed to this file.

```
"platforms": [
  { "x": 0, "y": 324, "w": 640, "h": 36 },
  { "x": 120, "y": 254, "w": 120, "h": 12 },
  { "x": 300, "y": 204, "w": 90, "h": 12 },
  { "x": 440, "y": 144, "w": 130, "h": 12 },
  { "x": 520, "y": 254, "w": 90, "h": 12 }
]
```

🔄 **Modify** `WorldLevel` (THIS is the loop)

Add this **after** your existing platform loop in the constructor:

```
// Add 3 extra platforms procedurally
let baseX = 80;
```

```
let baseY = 180;
let gap = 110;

for (let i = 0; i < 3; i++) {
  let x = baseX + i * gap;
  let y = baseY - i * 40;

  this.platforms.push(
    new Platform(x, y, 100, 12)
  );
}
```

What this does

- Loop runs **3 times**
- Each iteration creates **one new platform**
- Platforms are spaced diagonally upward
- Platforms are added **dynamically at runtime**

- ✓ Uses a loop
- ✓ No hard-coded duplication
- ✓ Clearly demonstrates procedural generation



Option B (ALSO VALID): Store platform pattern as an array

If you want to be extra explicit:

```
const extraPlatforms = [
  { x: 100, y: 190 },
  { x: 220, y: 150 },
  { x: 340, y: 110 }
];

for (let p of extraPlatforms) {
  this.platforms.push(
    new Platform(p.x, p.y, 100, 12)
  );
}
```

This still counts as:

- array usage 
- loop-based generation 

One-sentence explanation you can submit

Three additional platforms are generated using a loop in the `WorldLevel` constructor, allowing platform placement to be adjusted procedurally without modifying the original JSON level data.

If you want next:

- staggered difficulty platforms
- moving platforms
- random platform generation per reload

Just tell me what week your course is heading into next 😊

add a triangle on the ground in the middle of the game as an obstacle

Nice, this one's simple and very visible 👍

We'll add **a single triangle obstacle on the ground, centered horizontally**, and keep it clean so **it doesn't break your current setup**.

I'll do this in the **least risky way**:

➡ generate it inside `WorldLevel` and draw it with `triangle()`.

✓ Step 1: Add triangle data (no JSON changes needed)

We'll calculate its position **based on the ground platform**, so it always sits correctly.

Add this to the `WorldLevel` constructor (near the end):

```
// Triangle obstacle (ground, center)
this.triangle = {
  size: 30
};
```

✓ Step 2: Draw the triangle obstacle

Add this **inside** `drawWorld()`, **after drawing platforms**:

```
// Draw triangle obstacle on the ground
let ground = this.platforms[0]; // ground platform
let cx = ground.x + ground.w / 2;
let baseY = ground.y;
```

```
fill(200, 50, 50); // red obstacle

triangle(
  cx - this.triangle.size / 2, baseY,
  cx + this.triangle.size / 2, baseY,
  cx, baseY - this.triangle.size
);
```

🔑 What this does

- Uses the **ground platform** as reference
 - Places the triangle **in the exact middle of the level**
 - Triangle sits **on top of the ground**
 - No hard-coded screen coordinates
 - Fully compatible with resizing levels
-

🧠 If you need to explain it

A triangular obstacle is drawn procedurally using the `triangle()` function and positioned relative to the ground platform, ensuring it remains centered and aligned regardless of level size.

🔍 Quick mental picture

▲
===== ← ground

If you want next:

- collision with the triangle
- multiple triangles using a loop
- animated spikes

Just tell me what direction you're taking the assignment next 🧐

does that align with these instructions: Generate a level using arrays or JSON data; use loops to dynamically place tiles, obstacles, or words

Great question — and you're right to double-check this 👍
Here's the honest, instructor-level answer.

No — the triangle as written does *not fully* meet the instruction.




Let me explain **why**, and then I'll show you a **small fix** that *does* make it fully compliant.

Why the current triangle doesn't fully align

The instructions say:

**Generate a level using arrays or JSON data;
use loops to dynamically place tiles, obstacles, or words**

Your triangle:

-  is **not stored in an array or JSON**
-  is **not created using a loop**
-  is procedurally placed, but **only once and manually**

So while it *works visually*, it doesn't clearly demonstrate:

- array usage
- loop-based generation

A marker might say: *"This is hard-coded."*

The FIX: Make the triangle obstacle loop-generated

We'll change **one thing**:

👉 store triangle data in an **array** and draw it with a **loop**

This makes it 100% aligned.

Step 1: Store triangle obstacles as an array

Add this in your **WorldLevel** constructor:

```
// Triangle obstacles (array-based)
this.triangles = [];

let ground = this.platforms[0];
let size = 30;

// Add triangle(s) using a loop (even if only one)
```



```
for (let i = 0; i < 1; i++) {  
  this.triangles.push({  
    x: ground.x + ground.w / 2,  
    y: ground.y,  
    size: size  
  });  
}
```

- ✓ Uses an array
- ✓ Uses a loop
- ✓ Generated dynamically

✓ Step 2: Draw triangles with a loop

Inside `drawWorld()`:

```
fill(200, 50, 50);  
  
for (let t of this.triangles) {  
  triangle(  
    t.x - t.size / 2, t.y,  
    t.x + t.size / 2, t.y,  
    t.x, t.y - t.size  
  );  
}
```

NOW it fully aligns with the instructions

Requirement	Met?
Generated using arrays	✓
Uses a loop	✓
Dynamically placed	✓
Obstacle (triangle)	✓
Not hard-coded	✓

One-sentence submission explanation

Obstacles are stored in arrays and instantiated using loops, allowing tiles and obstacles to be dynamically generated as part of the level rather than being hard-coded.

That sentence alone screams “*I understood the assignment.*”

If you want, next we can:

- convert platforms to a tile grid
- add multiple triangles spaced with a loop
- animate obstacles

You’re very much on the right track — this is good work, not a mess-up 💪

make the triangle appear twice

Yep 🍌 easy fix — and this actually makes your solution **stronger** for the assignment.

We’ll keep everything array- and loop-based, and just change the loop so the **triangle appears twice**, spaced out across the ground.

Update the triangle generation (constructor)

Replace your **triangle array code** with this:

```
// Triangle obstacles (array-based, loop-generated)
this.triangles = [];

let ground = this.platforms[0];
let size = 30;
let spacing = ground.w / 3; // spread them out

for (let i = 1; i <= 2; i++) {
  this.triangles.push({
    x: ground.x + spacing * i,
    y: ground.y,
    size: size
  });
}
```

What this does

- Loop runs **twice** → two triangles
- Positions them evenly across the ground
- Still fully dynamic (no hard-coded screen coords)

✓ Drawing code (unchanged, still loop-based)

Inside `drawWorld()`:

```
fill(200, 50, 50);

for (let t of this.triangles) {
  triangle(
    t.x - t.size / 2, t.y,
    t.x + t.size / 2, t.y,
    t.x, t.y - t.size
  );
}
```

🔄 Why this perfectly matches the instructions

- ✓ Uses an **array** (`this.triangles`)
- ✓ Uses a **loop** to generate obstacles
- ✓ Obstacles are **dynamically placed**
- ✓ Multiple obstacles (not hard-coded duplicates)

🧠 One-line explanation you can submit

Two triangular obstacles are generated using a loop and stored in an array, allowing obstacles to be dynamically placed along the ground without hard-coding their positions.

If you want next:

- triangle collision
- spikes that hurt the player
- increasing obstacle count per level

Just tell me what's next in your assignment flow 😊

make it so that the blob hits it when it comes in contact with the triangle

Perfect — now we're adding **interaction**, not just visuals.

I'll show you a **simple, reliable collision check** so that **when the blob touches a triangle, something happens** (reset to spawn). This is exactly the right level for GBDA302.

I'll assume:

- Blob is a **circle**
 - Triangle is a **hazard**
 - On hit → **respawn the player**
-

Collision strategy (simple + acceptable)

We'll use:

- **circle-rectangle-like logic** (approximation)
- Check if the blob's center is close enough to the triangle's bounding box

This is **100% fine for coursework** — no need for complex polygon math.

Step 1: Add a hit handler to the player

In your **BlobPlayer** class, add this method:

```
hit() {  
  // Respawn player at level start  
  this.spawnFromLevel(world);  
}
```

Step 2: Check collision with triangles (WorldLevel)

Add this method **inside** **worldLevel1**:

```
checkTriangleCollision(player) {  
  for (let t of this.triangles) {  
    // Simple bounding-box check  
    let left = t.x - t.size / 2;  
    let right = t.x + t.size / 2;  
    let top = t.y - t.size;  
    let bottom = t.y;
```

```

// Blob properties
let px = player.pos.x;
let py = player.pos.y;
let pr = player.r;

let hit =
  px + pr > left &&
  px - pr < right &&
  py + pr > top &&
  py - pr < bottom;

if (hit) {
  return true;
}
return false;
}

```

📌 This treats the triangle like a small box — **simple, stable, readable**.

✓ Step 3: Call the collision check in `draw()`

Modify your **main `draw()` function** like this:

```

function draw() {
  world.drawWorld();

  player.update(world.platforms);
  player.draw(world.theme.blob);

  // Triangle collision check
  if (world.triangles && world.checkTriangleCollision(player)) {
    player.hit();
  }

  // HUD
  fill(0);
  text(world.name, 10, 18);
  text("Move: A/D or ←/→ • Jump: Space/W/↑ • Next: N", 10, 36);
}

```

What happens now

- Blob touches triangle → **collision detected**
- Player immediately **respawns**
- Triangle behaves like a hazard
- No physics breakage
- No hard-coded logic

What to say in your explanation

Collision detection is implemented by looping through triangle obstacles and checking for overlap with the player's circular hitbox. When a collision is detected, the player is reset to the level's spawn point.

That's a *textbook* answer.

If you want to level this up (optional)

I can help you add:

- knockback instead of respawn
- sound or flash on hit
- triangle-specific collision (accurate slopes)
- health system

Just tell me what your prof hinted at next — you're doing really well here 

```
/* Week 4 — Example 5: Example 5: Blob Platformer (JSON + Classes) Course: GBDA302
Instructors: Dr. Karen Cochrane and David Han Date: Feb. 5, 2026 This file orchestrates
everything: - load JSON in preload() - create WorldLevel from JSON - create BlobPlayer -
update + draw each frame - handle input events (jump, optional next level) This matches
the structure of the original blob sketch from Week 2 but moves details into classes. */ let
data; // raw JSON data let levelIndex = 0; let world; // WorldLevel instance (current level) let
player; // BlobPlayer instance function preload() { // Load the level data from disk before
setup runs. data = loadJSON("levels.json"); } function setup() { // Create the player once (it
will be respawned per level). player = new BlobPlayer(); // Load the first level. loadLevel(0);
// Simple shared style setup. noStroke(); textFont("sans-serif"); textSize(14); } function
draw() { // 1) Draw the world (background + platforms) world.drawWorld(); // 2) Update and
draw the player on top of the world player.update(world.platforms);
player.draw(world.theme.blob); // 3) HUD fill(0); text(world.name, 10, 18); text("Move: A/D
or </> • Jump: Space/W/↑ • Next: N", 10, 36); } function keyPressed() { // Jump keys if (key
=== " " || key === "W" || key === "w" || keyCode === UP_ARROW) { player.jump(); } //
Optional: cycle levels with N (as with the earlier examples) if (key === "n" || key === "N") {
const next = (levelIndex + 1) % data.levels.length; loadLevel(next); } } /* Load a level by
index: - create a WorldLevel instance from JSON - resize canvas based on inferred
```

```
geometry - spawn player using level start + physics */ function loadLevel(i) { levelIndex = i;
// Create the world object from the JSON level object. world = new
WorldLevel(data.levels[levelIndex]); // Fit canvas to world geometry (or defaults if needed).
const W = world.inferWidth(640); const H = world.inferHeight(360); resizeCanvas(W, H); //
Apply level settings + respawn. player.spawnFromLevel(world); }
```

Perfect — thanks for pasting the **exact file**. That helps a lot 🍌
Right now, **nothing is “wrong”** with this file — it just **doesn’t yet call the triangle collision**, which is why the blob never “hits” it.

We will make **one small, safe change** to this file, and everything else will work as intended.

✓ REQUIRED CHANGE (VERY SMALL)

Your current `draw()` function **does NOT include the collision check** yet.

🔧 Replace your `draw()` with this version

```
function draw() {
  // 1) Draw the world (background + platforms + obstacles)
  world.drawWorld();

  // 2) Update and draw the player
  player.update(world.platforms);
  player.draw(world.theme.blob);

  // 3) Triangle collision check (ADD THIS)
  if (world.triangles && world.checkTriangleCollision(player)) {
    player.hit();
  }

  // 4) HUD
  fill(0);
  text(world.name, 10, 18);
  text("Move: A/D or ←/→ • Jump: Space/W/↑ • Next: N", 10, 36);
}
```

That’s it for **this file** ✓
No other changes needed here.

🔍 Why it didn’t work before

- You **created the triangles**
- You **wrote the collision logic**

- But you **never called it inside `draw()`**

So the game never checked for contact.

Games only detect collisions if you check **every frame**.

✓ Quick checklist (all must exist)

Make sure you have **ALL THREE** of these elsewhere:

1 In `WorldLevel`

```
this.triangles = [ ... ]; // created with a loop
checkTriangleCollision(player) { ... }
```

2 In `BlobPlayer`

```
hit() {
  this.spawnFromLevel(world);
}
```

3 In `draw()` (now fixed)

```
if (world.triangles && world.checkTriangleCollision(player)) {
  player.hit();
}
```

✓ collision detected

✓ blob responds

✓ obstacle works

🧠 One-sentence explanation you can submit

Triangle obstacles are stored in an array and checked for collision every frame using a loop; when the player intersects a triangle, the player is reset to the spawn point.

This **fully satisfies**:

Generate a level using arrays or JSON data; use loops to dynamically place tiles, obstacles, or words.

If you want next:

- visual feedback on hit (flash / shake)
- health instead of instant respawn
- different obstacle types per level

You're doing this **correctly** — this is just normal game-debugging stuff 🤔

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let world; // WorldLevel instance (current level)
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  setup runs.
  data = loadJSON("levels.json");
}
function setup() { // Create the player once (it
  will be respawned per level).
  player = new BlobPlayer();
  // Load the first level.
  loadLevel(0);
  // Simple shared style setup.
  noStroke();
  textFont("sans-serif");
  textSize(14);
}
function draw() { // 1) Draw the world (background + platforms)
  world.drawWorld();
  // 2) Update and draw the player on top of the world
  player.update(world.platforms);
  player.draw(world.theme.blob);
  // 3) HUD
  fill(0);
  text(world.name, 10, 18);
  text("Move: A/D or </> • Jump: Space/W/↑ • Next: N", 10, 36);
}
function keyPressed() { // Jump keys if (key
  === " " || key === "W" || key === "w" || keyCode === UP_ARROW) {
  player.jump();
}
// Optional: cycle levels with N (as with the earlier examples)
if (key === "n" || key === "N") {
  const next = (levelIndex + 1) % data.levels.length;
  loadLevel(next);
}
/* Load a level by index: - create a WorldLevel instance from JSON - resize canvas based on inferred
geometry - spawn player using level start + physics */
function loadLevel(i) {
  levelIndex = i;
  // Create the world object from the JSON level object.
  world = new WorldLevel(data.levels[levelIndex]);
  // Fit canvas to world geometry (or defaults if needed).
  const W = world.inferWidth(640);
  const H = world.inferHeight(360);
  resizeCanvas(W, H);
  // Apply level settings + respawn.
  player.spawnFromLevel(world);
}
```

Thanks for pasting it again — this actually makes the issue **very clear** 👍

Right now, your code is **missing exactly one thing**, and because of that **the triangle will never affect the blob**.

Your `draw()` function does NOT include the triangle collision check.

You *previously said* “use this code already,” but in **this pasted version**, that code is **not there**.

Let's fix it cleanly and explicitly.

✓ THE ONLY CHANGE YOU NEED TO MAKE

🔧 Replace your current `draw()` function with this one

```
function draw() {  
  // 1) Draw the world (background + platforms + obstacles)  
  world.drawWorld();  
  
  // 2) Update and draw the player on top of the world  
  player.update(world.platforms);  
  player.draw(world.theme.blob);  
  
  // 3) Triangle collision check (THIS WAS MISSING)  
  if (world.triangles && world.checkTriangleCollision(player)) {  
    player.hit();  
  }  
  
  // 4) HUD  
  fill(0);  
  text(world.name, 10, 18);  
  text("Move: A/D or ←/→ • Jump: Space/W/↑ • Next: N", 10, 36);  
}
```

That's it.

No other changes to **this file** are required.

🔔 Why it didn't work before (important)

Even if:

- triangles exist ✓
- collision logic exists ✓
- `player.hit()` exists ✓

👉 **Nothing happens unless the collision check runs every frame.**

Games don't "remember" collisions — you must check them **inside** `draw()`, every frame.

Your previous `draw()` never checked triangles at all.

✓ Quick sanity checklist (all must exist)

Make sure these are present elsewhere:

In WorldLevel

- `this.triangles = []` (created using a loop)
- `checkTriangleCollision(player)` method
- **triangle drawing inside** `drawWorld()`

In BlobPlayer

```
hit() {  
    this.spawnFromLevel(world);  
}
```

In draw() (now fixed)

```
if (world.triangles && world.checkTriangleCollision(player)) {  
    player.hit();  
}
```

If all three exist → **collision WILL work.**

What you can say in your assignment

Triangle obstacles are stored in an array and checked for collision every frame using a loop. When the player intersects a triangle obstacle, the player is reset to the spawn position.

That explanation **perfectly matches**:

Generate a level using arrays or JSON data; use loops to dynamically place tiles, obstacles, or words.

You're not doing anything "wrong" conceptually — this is just a classic **forgot-to-call-the-function** moment that happens to *everyone* in game dev 😊

If you want, next we can add **visual feedback** (flash/red screen) so you *see* the hit happen.

Using this code make it so the blob cannot go through the triangle but hits it upon contact:

GBDA 302: Side quest 4

Got it! It sounds like you want to implement **collision detection** between your blob and triangle obstacles in your GBDA 302 side quest code, so the blob **stops or reacts when it hits a triangle** instead of passing through it.

Since you didn't paste the full code, I'll give you a clear approach in **JavaScript/HTML5 Canvas style**, which is common for GBDA projects. You can adapt it to your existing code.

Example Approach:

Assuming you have:

- blob with properties: x, y, width, height, velocityY
- triangles array, each with: x, y, width, height

You can add **collision detection** in your update loop:

```
function updateBlob() {  
  // Apply gravity  
  blob.velocityY += gravity;  
  blob.y += blob.velocityY;  
  
  // Check collision with each triangle  
  for (let i = 0; i < triangles.length; i++) {  
    let tri = triangles[i];  
  
    if (blob.x < tri.x + tri.width &&  
        blob.x + blob.width > tri.x &&  
        blob.y < tri.y + tri.height &&  
        blob.y + blob.height > tri.y) {  
  
      // Collision detected  
      // Stop blob from going through  
      if (blob.velocityY > 0) { // falling down  
        blob.y = tri.y - blob.height;  
        blob.velocityY = 0;  
      } else if (blob.velocityY < 0) { // moving up  
        blob.y = tri.y + tri.height;  
        blob.velocityY = 0;  
      }  
    }  
  }  
  
  // Add other controls/movement here  
}
```

Key Points:

1. **AABB Collision:** The `if` statement checks if the rectangle of the blob overlaps the rectangle of the triangle. This is a simple **Axis-Aligned Bounding Box** collision detection.
2. **Stop on Contact:** When a collision is detected:
 - If falling, the blob is positioned **on top of the triangle**.
 - If moving up, the blob hits the bottom of the triangle.
3. **Velocity Reset:** Setting `velocityY = 0` stops the blob from going through the obstacle.

✅ Optional Enhancements:

- You can also add **side collisions** if your triangles are slanted.
- For a more precise triangle collision, you'd need **point-in-triangle math** or **polygon collision detection**, which is a bit more advanced.

If you want, I can rewrite your **exact GBDA 302 code** snippet so the **blob collides with the triangles perfectly**, keeping your movement and jump mechanics intact.

Do you want me to do that?

```
class WorldLevel { constructor(levelData) { // Basic metadata this.name = levelData.name;
this.gravity = levelData.gravity; this.jumpV = levelData.jumpV; this.theme =
levelData.theme; // Player start info this.start = levelData.start; // Platforms array
(generated from JSON) this.platforms = []; // LOOP: dynamically create platform objects for
(let i = 0; i < levelData.platforms.length; i++) { let p = levelData.platforms[i];
this.platforms.push(new Platform(p.x, p.y, p.w, p.h)); } // Add 2 extra platforms procedurally
let baseX = 90; let baseY = 120; let gap = 190; for (let i = 0; i < 2; i++) { let x = baseX + i * gap;
let y = baseY - i * 40; this.platforms.push(new Platform(x, y, 100, 12)); } // Triangle obstacles
(array-based, loop-generated) this.triangles = []; let ground = this.platforms[0]; let size = 30;
let spacing = ground.w / 3; // spread them out for (let i = 1; i <= 2; i++) { this.triangles.push({
x: ground.x + spacing * i, y: ground.y, size: size, }); } } drawWorld() { // Background
background(this.theme.bg); // LOOP: draw all platforms fill(this.theme.platform); for (let i =
0; i < this.platforms.length; i++) { this.platforms[i].draw(); } fill(200, 50, 50); for (let t of
this.triangles) { triangle(t.x - t.size / 2, t.y, t.x + t.size / 2, t.y, t.x, t.y - t.size); } } // Used by your
sketch to size the canvas inferWidth(defaultW) { let maxX = defaultW; for (let p of
this.platforms) { maxX = max(maxX, p.x + p.w); } return maxX; } inferHeight(defaultH) { let
maxY = defaultH; for (let p of this.platforms) { maxY = max(maxY, p.y + p.h); } return maxY; } }
```

Perfect! Thanks for sharing your code. I see you're using a `WorldLevel` class with **platforms** and **triangles** drawn as p5.js triangles. Right now, your blob likely just falls through triangles because there's **no collision logic** with them yet.

We can add **triangle collision detection** so the blob **cannot go through triangles**, using a simple approach where we treat the triangle as a bounding box for collision. For a more precise collision with the actual triangle shape, we can use a **point-in-triangle check**.

Here's how to modify your code to add **collision detection for the blob**:

1. Add a `checkTriangleCollision` method in `WorldLevel`:

```
checkTriangleCollision(blob) {
  for (let t of this.triangles) {
    // Triangle bounding box
    let left = t.x - t.size / 2;
    let right = t.x + t.size / 2;
    let top = t.y - t.size;
    let bottom = t.y;

    // Simple AABB collision check
    if (blob.x + blob.width > left &&
        blob.x < right &&
        blob.y + blob.height > top &&
        blob.y < bottom) {

      // Determine collision direction (assume top collision only for
      simplicity)
      if (blob.velocityY > 0) { // falling down
        blob.y = top - blob.height; // place blob on top of triangle
        blob.velocityY = 0;
        blob.onGround = true; // optional flag for jumping logic
      }
    }
  }
}
```

2. Call this inside your blob update loop:

```
function updateBlob() {
  // Apply gravity
  blob.velocityY += world.gravity;
  blob.y += blob.velocityY;

  // Check collisions with platforms first
  for (let p of world.platforms) {
    if (blob.x + blob.width > p.x &&
        blob.x < p.x + p.w &&
        blob.y + blob.height > p.y &&
        blob.y < p.y + p.h) {

      if (blob.velocityY > 0) { // falling
        blob.y = p.y - blob.height;
        blob.velocityY = 0;
        blob.onGround = true;
      }
    }
  }

  // Check collisions with triangles
  world.checkTriangleCollision(blob);
}
```

3. Optional: Draw the blob

```
function drawBlob() {  
  fill(50, 150, 200);  
  rect(blob.x, blob.y, blob.width, blob.height);  
}
```

How this works:

1. Triangles have a **bounding box** (rectangle around them).
 2. If the blob enters the bounding box while falling, it gets **stopped on top**.
 3. This prevents the blob from passing through the triangle.
 4. You can extend this later for **side collisions** if needed.
-

If you want, I can make it **even more accurate** by checking collisions **with the actual slanted triangle shape**, so the blob really “bumps” against the sides, not just the top.

Do you want me to do that?

```
/* BlobPlayer.js (Example 5) BlobPlayer owns all "dynamic" player state: - position (x,y),  
radius (r) - velocity (vx,vy) - movement tuning (accel, friction, max run) - jump state  
(onGround) - blob rendering animation parameters (noise wobble) It also implements: -  
update() for physics + collision against platforms - jump() for input - draw() for the  
"breathing blob" look The algorithm is the same as the original blob world example from  
Week 2: - Apply input acceleration - Apply friction - Apply gravity - Compute an AABB (box)  
around the blob - Move box in X and resolve collisions - Move box in Y and resolve collisions  
- Write back box center to blob position */ class BlobPlayer { constructor() { // -----  
Transform ----- this.x = 0; this.y = 0; this.r = 26; // ----- Velocity ----- this.vx = 0; this.vy = 0; // --  
--- Movement tuning (matches your original values) ----- this.accel = 0.55; this.maxRun =  
4.0; // Physics values that are typically overridden per level. this.gravity = 0.65; this.jumpV =  
-11.0; // State used by jumping + friction choice. this.onGround = false; // Friction: // - in air:  
almost no friction (keeps momentum) // - on ground: more friction (stops more quickly)  
this.frictionAir = 0.995; this.frictionGround = 0.88; // ----- Blob rendering / animation -----  
this.t = 0; this.tSpeed = 0.01; this.wobble = 7; this.points = 48; this.wobbleFreq = 0.9; } /*  
Apply level settings + spawn the player. We reset velocities so each level starts  
consistently. */ spawnFromLevel(level) { this.gravity = level.gravity; this.jumpV =  
level.jumpV; this.x = level.start.x; this.y = level.start.y; this.r = level.start.r; this.vx = 0; this.vy  
= 0; this.onGround = false; } /* Update movement + resolve collisions against all platforms.  
Input is polled with keysDown to get smooth movement (held keys). This keeps the
```

```

behavior aligned with your original blob example. */
update(platforms) { // 1) Horizontal
input (A/D or arrows) let move = 0; if (keyIsDown(65) || keyIsDown(LEFT_ARROW)) move -=
1; if (keyIsDown(68) || keyIsDown(RIGHT_ARROW)) move += 1; // 2) Apply horizontal
acceleration based on input this.vx += this.accel * move; // 3) Apply friction (ground vs air)
this.vx *= this.onGround ? this.frictionGround : this.frictionAir; // 4) Clamp max run speed
this.vx = constrain(this.vx, -this.maxRun, this.maxRun); // 5) Apply gravity every frame
this.vy += this.gravity; // 6) Build an AABB around the blob (center/radius -> box) let box = { x:
this.x - this.r, y: this.y - this.r, w: this.r * 2, h: this.r * 2, }; // 7) Move in X and resolve collisions
box.x += this.vx; for (const s of platforms) { if (overlapAABB(box, s)) { // If moving right, snap
to the left side of the platform. if (this.vx > 0) box.x = s.x - box.w; // If moving left, snap to the
right side of the platform. else if (this.vx < 0) box.x = s.x + s.w; // Cancel horizontal velocity
after collision. this.vx = 0; } } // 8) Move in Y and resolve collisions box.y += this.vy; // Reset
and recompute onGround each frame during Y resolution. this.onGround = false; for (const
s of platforms) { if (overlapAABB(box, s)) { if (this.vy > 0) { // Falling: snap to platform top
box.y = s.y - box.h; this.vy = 0; this.onGround = true; } else if (this.vy < 0) { // Rising: snap to
platform bottom (head bump) box.y = s.y + s.h; this.vy = 0; } } } // 9) Write back blob center
from box position this.x = box.x + box.w / 2; this.y = box.y + box.h / 2; // 10) Optional: keep
player within canvas horizontally. this.x = constrain(this.x, this.r, width - this.r); // 11)
Advance blob animation time this.t += this.tSpeed; } // Jump: only possible when on ground.
jump() { if (!this.onGround) return; this.vy = this.jumpV; this.onGround = false; } /* Draw the
blob with a wobbly outline: - we sample a noise value around the circle - perturb the radius
slightly per vertex - this creates an organic "breathing" look This is the same technique as
the original drawBlob() function. */
draw(colourHex) { fill(color(colourHex)); beginShape();
for (let i = 0; i < this.points; i++) { const a = (i / this.points) * TAU; // Noise input: circle
coordinates + time. const n = noise( cos(a) * this.wobbleFreq + 100, sin(a) *
this.wobbleFreq + 100, this.t, ); // Map noise to a small radius offset. const rr = this.r +
map(n, 0, 1, -this.wobble, this.wobble); // Place the vertex around the center. vertex(this.x +
cos(a) * rr, this.y + sin(a) * rr); } endShape(CLOSE); } } /* Collision function: AABB overlap
test. - a is the moving player "box" - b is a platform rectangle We accept b as either: - a
Platform instance (with x,y,w,h) - or a plain object with x,y,w,h This keeps it flexible. */
function overlapAABB(a, b) { return ( a.x < b.x + b.w && a.x + a.w > b.x && a.y < b.y + b.h &&
a.y + a.h > b.y ); }

```

Perfect — now that I can see your full `BlobPlayer` class and how it handles **AABB collisions**, we can integrate **triangle obstacles** so the blob **stops when it hits them** rather than passing through. Since your triangles are currently drawn as p5.js triangles with `t.x`, `t.y`, `t.size`, the simplest way is to treat them as **rectangles for collision** (bounding box), just like your platforms. Later, we could make it a precise triangle collision if desired.

Here's how to modify your setup:

1 Add triangle collision check

You can add a method in `WorldLevel` to return **rectangles representing triangles**:

```
WorldLevel.prototype.getTriangleBoxes = function () {
  return this.triangles.map(t => {
    return {
      x: t.x - t.size / 2,
      y: t.y - t.size,
      w: t.size,
      h: t.size,
    };
  });
};
```

This gives us an array of AABBs for the triangles.

2 Update `BlobPlayer.update()` to include triangles

Modify the `update()` method where you resolve Y collisions:

```
update(platforms, triangleBoxes) {
  // ... your existing horizontal movement + friction code ...

  // 8) Move in Y and resolve collisions
  box.y += this.vy;
  this.onGround = false;

  // Combine platforms and triangle boxes
  const collidables = [...platforms, ...triangleBoxes];

  for (const s of collidables) {
    if (overlapAABB(box, s)) {
      if (this.vy > 0) {
        // Falling: snap to top
        box.y = s.y - box.h;
        this.vy = 0;
        this.onGround = true;
      } else if (this.vy < 0) {
        // Rising: snap to bottom
        box.y = s.y + s.h;
        this.vy = 0;
      }
    }
  }
}
```

```
// 9) Write back blob center from box
this.x = box.x + box.w / 2;
this.y = box.y + box.h / 2;

// 10) Constrain horizontally
this.x = constrain(this.x, this.r, width - this.r);

// 11) Animation
this.t += this.tSpeed;
}
```

3 Call update from sketch

In your main `draw()` or `update` loop:

```
function draw() {
  // ... draw world
  world.drawWorld();

  // Get triangle boxes
  const triangleBoxes = world.getTriangleBoxes();

  // Update blob with platforms + triangles
  blob.update(world.platforms, triangleBoxes);

  // Draw blob
  blob.draw('#3399ff');
}
```

✔ What this does:

- Triangles now **act like platforms** for collision purposes.
 - The blob **lands on top of them** and cannot fall through.
 - The existing AABB logic for platforms works directly.
 - Side or precise slope collisions are still simplified, but visually it will “feel solid.”
-

If you want, I can also **upgrade this to actual sloped triangle collisions** so the blob can **slide along the sides** instead of just snapping on top. That gives a much more natural gameplay feel.

Do you want me to do that?

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everything: - load JSON in preload() - create WorldLevel from JSON - create BlobPlayer -
update + draw each frame - handle input events (jump, optional next level) This matches

the structure of the original blob sketch from Week 2 but moves details into classes. `*/ let data; // raw JSON data let levelIndex = 0; let world; // WorldLevel instance (current level) let player; // BlobPlayer instance function preload() { // Load the level data from disk before setup runs. data = loadJSON("levels.json"); } function setup() { // Create the player once (it will be respawned per level). player = new BlobPlayer(); // Load the first level. loadLevel(0); // Simple shared style setup. noStroke(); textFont("sans-serif"); textSize(14); } function draw() { // 1) Draw the world (background + platforms) world.drawWorld(); // 2) Update and draw the player on top of the world player.update(world.platforms); player.draw(world.theme.blob); // 3) HUD fill(0); text(world.name, 10, 18); text("Move: A/D or </> • Jump: Space/W/↑ • Next: N", 10, 36); } function keyPressed() { // Jump keys if (key === " " || key === "W" || key === "w" || keyCode === UP_ARROW) { player.jump(); } // Optional: cycle levels with N (as with the earlier examples) if (key === "n" || key === "N") { const next = (levelIndex + 1) % data.levels.length; loadLevel(next); } } /* Load a level by index: - create a WorldLevel instance from JSON - resize canvas based on inferred geometry - spawn player using level start + physics */ function loadLevel(i) { levelIndex = i; // Create the world object from the JSON level object. world = new WorldLevel(data.levels[levelIndex]); // Fit canvas to world geometry (or defaults if needed). const W = world.inferWidth(640); const H = world.inferHeight(360); resizeCanvas(W, H); // Apply level settings + respawn. player.spawnFromLevel(world); }`

Perfect — now I can see your **main sketch**. Right now, your `player.update()` call only passes `world.platforms`, so the blob doesn't know about triangles yet. To make the blob collide with triangles (so it can't fall through), we just need to:

1. **Get the triangle bounding boxes from the world**
2. **Pass them into the player update**
3. **Combine platforms + triangle boxes inside the update** (like we did before)

Here's the modified version of your `draw()` function:

```
function draw() {
  // 1) Draw the world (background + platforms + triangles)
  world.drawWorld();

  // 2) Get triangle bounding boxes
  const triangleBoxes = world.getTriangleBoxes();

  // 3) Update player with both platforms and triangle boxes
  player.update(world.platforms, triangleBoxes);

  // 4) Draw the player on top
  player.draw(world.theme.blob);

  // 5) HUD
  fill(0);
```

```

text(world.name, 10, 18);
text("Move: A/D or ←/→ • Jump: Space/W/↑ • Next: N", 10, 36);
}

```

✓ Additional step: `BlobPlayer.update()` now accepts triangles

Modify the `update()` method in `BlobPlayer` so it takes **both platforms and triangles**:

```

update(platforms, triangleBoxes) {
  // ... existing movement and horizontal collision code ...

  // 8) Move in Y and resolve collisions
  box.y += this.vy;
  this.onGround = false;

  // Combine platforms + triangles for collision
  const collidables = [...platforms, ...triangleBoxes];

  for (const s of collidables) {
    if (overlapAABB(box, s)) {
      if (this.vy > 0) {
        // Falling: snap to top
        box.y = s.y - box.h;
        this.vy = 0;
        this.onGround = true;
      } else if (this.vy < 0) {
        // Rising: snap to bottom
        box.y = s.y + s.h;
        this.vy = 0;
      }
    }
  }

  // Write back blob center from box
  this.x = box.x + box.w / 2;
  this.y = box.y + box.h / 2;

  // Constrain horizontally
  this.x = constrain(this.x, this.r, width - this.r);

  // Animation
  this.t += this.tSpeed;
}

```

✓ And don't forget the helper function in `WorldLevel`:

```

WorldLevel.prototype.getTriangleBoxes = function () {
  return this.triangles.map(t => {
    return {
      x: t.x - t.size / 2,
      y: t.y - t.size,
      w: t.size,
      h: t.size,
    }
  })
}

```

```
    };  
  });  
};
```

With this setup:

- The blob **lands on top of triangles** and **cannot fall through**.
 - Your existing platform collision logic is reused.
 - No changes are needed to the JSON levels or `BlobPlayer` physics tuning.
-

If you want, I can **upgrade this further** so the blob **collides with the actual slanted triangle edges**, not just the bounding box, which would make jumps and slopes feel more natural.

Do you want me to do that?

After using that code you provided, my blob disappeared

Ah! That usually happens when the **player's spawn position or radius doesn't match the world's coordinates**, or the collision boxes are immediately “sticking” the blob somewhere off-screen. Let's carefully debug this step by step.

Here are the likely causes and fixes:

1 Check your `level.start` data

Your `WorldLevel` constructor uses:

```
this.start = levelData.start;
```

Then in `BlobPlayer.spawnFromLevel(world)`:

```
this.x = level.start.x;  
this.y = level.start.y;  
this.r = level.start.r;
```

✓ Make sure your JSON level has **x, y, r** in `start`, for example:

```
"start": { "x": 80, "y": 220, "r": 26 }
```

If `r` is missing, the player might have a radius of 0, making it invisible.

2 Check update collision logic

Right now, in `BlobPlayer.update()` we combine platforms + triangles:

```
const collidables = [...platforms, ...triangleBoxes];
```

If the **triangle boxes include the starting platform**, the blob might **spawn intersecting a triangle**. When that happens:

```
if (overlapAABB(box, s)) {  
  if (this.vy > 0) { box.y = s.y - box.h; ... }  
  else if (this.vy < 0) { box.y = s.y + s.h; ... }  
}
```

This will immediately **push the blob somewhere** (usually above the triangle), possibly off-screen if your canvas is small.

Fix: Make sure the blob **spawns slightly above the first platform**:

```
this.y = level.start.y - this.r; // top of blob touches start point
```

Or, in your JSON, set `start.y` slightly **above the platform**.

3 Debug with a visible marker

Add this temporarily to see where your blob is:

```
fill(255,0,0);  
circle(player.x, player.y, player.r*2);
```

If it appears **off-screen**, you know it's a spawn/collision problem.

4 Triangle bounding boxes

Right now:

```
getTriangleBoxes() {  
  return this.triangles.map(t => ({  
    x: t.x - t.size / 2,  
    y: t.y - t.size,  
    w: t.size,  
    h: t.size,  
  }));  
}
```

✅ This is correct for **top collision**, but if your blob starts **inside a triangle**, it will be immediately snapped above.

Temporary fix: Don't include triangles in collision until after spawn:

```
player.update(world.platforms); // first frame
// then start including triangles in the next frames
```

5 Check canvas size

If your `inferWidth` or `inferHeight` returns **smaller than the level**, your blob may spawn outside of the visible canvas. You can **temporarily log**:

```
console.log(player.x, player.y, width, height);
```

✅ Summary Fixes:

1. Make sure `start.x`, `start.y`, `start.r` exist and are above any platform or triangle.
 2. Set the blob's initial `y` slightly **above the start platform**.
 3. Check that triangles don't intersect the start position.
 4. Use a debug marker (red circle) to see where the blob is.
-

If you want, I can rewrite **the full `WorldLevel.js` + `BlobPlayer.update()` integration** so the **blob always spawns correctly and collides with triangles without disappearing**.

Do you want me to do that?

Some thing is wrong with my code, my blob is not showing up anymore: `/* WorldLevel.js` (Example 5) `WorldLevel` wraps ONE level object from `levels.json` and provides: - Theme colours (background/platform/blob) - Physics parameters that influence the player (gravity, jump velocity) - Spawn position for the player (start) - An array of Platform instances - A couple of helpers to size the canvas to fit the geometry This is directly inspired by your original blob sketch's responsibilities: - parse JSON - map platforms array - apply theme + physics - infer canvas size Expected JSON shape for each level (from your provided file): { "name": "Intro Steps", "gravity": 0.65, "jumpV": -11.0, "theme": { "bg": "...", "platform": "...", "blob": "... }, "start": { "x": 80, "y": 220, "r": 26 }, "platforms": [{x,y,w,h}, ...] } */ class WorldLevel { constructor(levelData) { // Basic metadata this.name = levelData.name; this.gravity = levelData.gravity; this.jumpV = levelData.jumpV; this.theme = levelData.theme; // Player start info this.start = levelData.start; // Platforms array

```

(generated from JSON) this.platforms = []; // LOOP: dynamically create platform objects for
(let i = 0; i < levelData.platforms.length; i++) { let p = levelData.platforms[i];
this.platforms.push(new Platform(p.x, p.y, p.w, p.h)); } // Add 2 extra platforms procedurally
let baseX = 90; let baseY = 120; let gap = 190; for (let i = 0; i < 2; i++) { let x = baseX + i * gap;
let y = baseY - i * 40; this.platforms.push(new Platform(x, y, 100, 12)); } // Triangle obstacles
(array-based, loop-generated) this.triangles = []; let ground = this.platforms[0]; let size = 30;
let spacing = ground.w / 3; // spread them out for (let i = 1; i <= 2; i++) { this.triangles.push({
x: ground.x + spacing * i, y: ground.y, size: size, }); } } drawWorld() { // Background
background(this.theme.bg); // LOOP: draw all platforms fill(this.theme.platform); for (let i =
0; i < this.platforms.length; i++) { this.platforms[i].draw(); } fill(200, 50, 50); for (let t of
this.triangles) { triangle(t.x - t.size / 2, t.y, t.x + t.size / 2, t.y, t.x, t.y - t.size); } }
getTriangleBoxes() { return this.triangles.map((t) => { return { x: t.x - t.size / 2, y: t.y - t.size, w:
t.size, h: t.size, }; }); } // Used by your sketch to size the canvas inferWidth(defaultW) { let
maxX = defaultW; for (let p of this.platforms) { maxX = max(maxX, p.x + p.w); } return maxX; }
inferHeight(defaultH) { let maxY = defaultH; for (let p of this.platforms) { maxY = max(maxY,
p.y + p.h); } return maxY; } } /* Week 4 — Example 5: Example 5: Blob Platformer (JSON +
Classes) Course: GBDA302 Instructors: Dr. Karen Cochrane and David Han Date: Feb. 5,
2026 This file orchestrates everything: - load JSON in preload() - create WorldLevel from
JSON - create BlobPlayer - update + draw each frame - handle input events (jump, optional
next level) This matches the structure of the original blob sketch from Week 2 but moves
details into classes. */ let data; // raw JSON data let levelIndex = 0; let world; // WorldLevel
instance (current level) let player; // BlobPlayer instance function preload() { // Load the
level data from disk before setup runs. data = loadJSON("levels.json"); } function setup() { //
Create the player once (it will be respawned per level). player = new BlobPlayer(); // Load
the first level. loadLevel(0); // Simple shared style setup. noStroke(); textFont("sans-serif");
textSize(14); } function draw() { // 1) Draw the world (background + platforms + triangles)
world.drawWorld(); // 2) Get triangle bounding boxes const triangleBoxes =
world.getTriangleBoxes(); // 3) Update player with both platforms and triangle boxes
player.update(world.platforms, triangleBoxes); // 4) Draw the player on top
player.draw(world.theme.blob); // 5) HUD fill(0); text(world.name, 10, 18); text("Move: A/D
or ←/→ • Jump: Space/W/↑ • Next: N", 10, 36); } function keyPressed() { // Jump keys if (key
=== " " || key === "W" || key === "w" || keyCode === UP_ARROW) { player.jump(); } //
Optional: cycle levels with N (as with the earlier examples) if (key === "n" || key === "N") {
const next = (levelIndex + 1) % data.levels.length; loadLevel(next); } } /* Load a level by
index: - create a WorldLevel instance from JSON - resize canvas based on inferred
geometry - spawn player using level start + physics */ function loadLevel(i) { levelIndex = i;
// Create the world object from the JSON level object. world = new
WorldLevel(data.levels[levelIndex]); // Fit canvas to world geometry (or defaults if needed).

```



```

const W = world.inferWidth(640); const H = world.inferHeight(360); resizeCanvas(W, H); //
Apply level settings + respawn. player.spawnFromLevel(world); } /* BlobPlayer.js (Example
5) BlobPlayer owns all "dynamic" player state: - position (x,y), radius (r) - velocity (vx,vy) -
movement tuning (accel, friction, max run) - jump state (onGround) - blob rendering
animation parameters (noise wobble) It also implements: - update() for physics + collision
against platforms - jump() for input - draw() for the "breathing blob" look The algorithm is
the same as the original blob world example from Week 2: - Apply input acceleration -
Apply friction - Apply gravity - Compute an AABB (box) around the blob - Move box in X and
resolve collisions - Move box in Y and resolve collisions - Write back box center to blob
position */ class BlobPlayer { constructor() { // ----- Transform ----- this.x = 0; this.y = 0; this.r
= 26; // ----- Velocity ----- this.vx = 0; this.vy = 0; // ----- Movement tuning (matches your
original values) ----- this.accel = 0.55; this.maxRun = 4.0; // Physics values that are typically
overridden per level. this.gravity = 0.65; this.jumpV = -11.0; // State used by jumping +
friction choice. this.onGround = false; // Friction: // - in air: almost no friction (keeps
momentum) // - on ground: more friction (stops more quickly) this.frictionAir = 0.995;
this.frictionGround = 0.88; // ----- Blob rendering / animation ----- this.t = 0; this.tSpeed =
0.01; this.wobble = 7; this.points = 48; this.wobbleFreq = 0.9; } /* Apply level settings +
spawn the player. We reset velocities so each level starts consistently. */
spawnFromLevel(level) { this.gravity = level.gravity; this.jumpV = level.jumpV; this.x =
level.start.x; this.y = level.start.y; this.r = level.start.r; this.vx = 0; this.vy = 0; this.onGround =
false; } /* Update movement + resolve collisions against all platforms. Input is polled with
keysDown to get smooth movement (held keys). This keeps the behavior aligned with your
original blob example. */ update(platforms) { // 1) Horizontal input (A/D or arrows) let move
= 0; if (keysDown(65) || keysDown(LEFT_ARROW)) move -= 1; if (keysDown(68) ||
keysDown(RIGHT_ARROW)) move += 1; // 2) Apply horizontal acceleration based on input
this.vx += this.accel * move; // 3) Apply friction (ground vs air) this.vx *= this.onGround ?
this.frictionGround : this.frictionAir; // 4) Clamp max run speed this.vx = constrain(this.vx, -
this.maxRun, this.maxRun); // 5) Apply gravity every frame this.vy += this.gravity; // 6) Build
an AABB around the blob (center/radius -> box) let box = { x: this.x - this.r, y: this.y - this.r, w:
this.r * 2, h: this.r * 2, }; // 7) Move in X and resolve collisions box.x += this.vx; for (const s of
platforms) { if (overlapAABB(box, s)) { // If moving right, snap to the left side of the platform.
if (this.vx > 0) box.x = s.x - box.w; // If moving left, snap to the right side of the platform. else
if (this.vx < 0) box.x = s.x + s.w; // Cancel horizontal velocity after collision. this.vx = 0; } } // 8)
Move in Y and resolve collisions box.y += this.vy; // Reset and recompute onGround each
frame during Y resolution. this.onGround = false; // Combine platforms + triangles for
collision const collidables = [...platforms, ...triangleBoxes]; for (const s of collidables) { if
(overlapAABB(box, s)) { if (this.vy > 0) { // Falling: snap to top box.y = s.y - box.h; this.vy = 0;
this.onGround = true; } else if (this.vy < 0) { // Rising: snap to bottom box.y = s.y + s.h; this.vy

```

```
= 0; } } // Write back blob center from box this.x = box.x + box.w / 2; this.y = box.y + box.h /
2; // Constrain horizontally this.x = constrain(this.x, this.r, width - this.r); // Animation this.t
+= this.tSpeed; } //Jump: only possible when on ground. jump() { if (!this.onGround) return;
this.vy = this.jumpV; this.onGround = false; } /* Draw the blob with a wobbly outline: - we
sample a noise value around the circle - perturb the radius slightly per vertex - this creates
an organic "breathing" look This is the same technique as the original drawBlob()
function. */ draw(colourHex) { fill(color(colourHex)); beginShape(); for (let i = 0; i <
this.points; i++) { const a = (i / this.points) * TAU; // Noise input: circle coordinates + time.
const n = noise( cos(a) * this.wobbleFreq + 100, sin(a) * this.wobbleFreq + 100, this.t, ); //
Map noise to a small radius offset. const rr = this.r + map(n, 0, 1, -this.wobble, this.wobble);
// Place the vertex around the center. vertex(this.x + cos(a) * rr, this.y + sin(a) * rr); }
endShape(CLOSE); } } /* Collision function: AABB overlap test. - a is the moving player "box"
- b is a platform rectangle We accept b as either: - a Platform instance (with x,y,w,h) - or a
plain object with x,y,w,h This keeps it flexible. */ function overlapAABB(a, b) { return ( a.x <
b.x + b.w && a.x + a.w > b.x && a.y < b.y + b.h && a.y + a.h > b.y ); }
```

Ah — I see exactly why your blob **disappeared**. There are a few problems in your code that are causing it:


1 `BlobPlayer.update()` is expecting two arguments, but your method signature only has one

Right now:

```
update(platforms) {
  ...
  const collidables = [...platforms, ...triangleBoxes];
```

- `triangleBoxes` is **undefined inside the function** because `update()` only takes `platforms`.
- You are calling it like this:

```
player.update(world.platforms, triangleBoxes);
```


 **Fix:** update the function signature:

```
update(platforms, triangleBoxes = []) { // second parameter optional
  ...
  const collidables = [...platforms, ...triangleBoxes];
```

2 Spawn position may intersect triangles

- Your `start.y = 220` and `r = 26` → bottom of blob = 246
- First platform top = 324 → okay
- Triangles on that platform:

```
y: ground.y, // 324  
size: 30
```

- Triangle top = $324 - 30 = 294$
- Blob bottom = 246 → **safe**, no overlap 

Just make sure your **JSON start.y** is **less than 294** so blob starts above triangle.

3 You have all code in a single file with multiple `/* */` comment blocks

- Having `/* ... */` inside the file without closing them properly can break the script.
 - Make sure your file doesn't have unclosed `/*` comments.
 - For example, this line ends a class with `} /*` → remove the `/*` at the end.
-

4 Full corrected `update()` method

```
update(platforms, triangleBoxes = []) {  
  // 1) Horizontal input  
  let move = 0;  
  if (keyIsDown(65) || keyIsDown(LEFT_ARROW)) move -= 1;  
  if (keyIsDown(68) || keyIsDown(RIGHT_ARROW)) move += 1;  
  
  // 2) Acceleration  
  this.vx += this.accel * move;  
  
  // 3) Friction  
  this.vx *= this.onGround ? this.frictionGround : this.frictionAir;  
  
  // 4) Clamp max run  
  this.vx = constrain(this.vx, -this.maxRun, this.maxRun);  
  
  // 5) Gravity  
  this.vy += this.gravity;  
  
  // 6) Build AABB box  
  let box = { x: this.x - this.r, y: this.y - this.r, w: this.r*2, h:  
this.r*2 };  
  
  // 7) Move X + resolve collisions  
  box.x += this.vx;  
  for (const s of platforms) {
```

```

    if (overlapAABB(box, s)) {
      if (this.vx > 0) box.x = s.x - box.w;
      else if (this.vx < 0) box.x = s.x + s.w;
      this.vx = 0;
    }
  }

  // 8) Move Y + resolve collisions
  box.y += this.vy;
  this.onGround = false;

  const collidables = [...platforms, ...triangleBoxes];
  for (const s of collidables) {
    if (overlapAABB(box, s)) {
      if (this.vy > 0) { // falling
        box.y = s.y - box.h;
        this.vy = 0;
        this.onGround = true;
      } else if (this.vy < 0) { // rising
        box.y = s.y + s.h;
        this.vy = 0;
      }
    }
  }

  // 9) Write back center
  this.x = box.x + box.w/2;
  this.y = box.y + box.h/2;

  // 10) Constrain horizontally
  this.x = constrain(this.x, this.r, width - this.r);

  // 11) Animation
  this.t += this.tSpeed;
}

```

✓ Key changes

1. `update(platforms, triangleBoxes = [])` → second argument added.
2. Remove stray `/*` comments inside your file.
3. Make sure `spawn.y` is above triangle top (`start.y < 294` in your example).
4. Optionally, draw a debug circle at spawn to check:

```

fill(255,0,0);
circle(player.x, player.y, player.r*2);

```

If you want, I can rewrite your **entire `WorldLevel.js` + `BlobPlayer.js` + main sketch** into a **fully working, ready-to-paste version** that shows the blob and handles triangle collisions correctly.

Do you want me to do that?

now make it so that the blob cannot go over the triangle horizontally. As the blob is moving it can go through the triangles and I do not want that. It is supposed to be in the way as an obstacle

Ah! Now I understand — you want the triangles to behave like **solid obstacles**, not just platforms that block vertical movement. Right now, the code only resolves collisions **vertically (falling or jumping)** when hitting a triangle, but the blob can still slide through them horizontally.

We can fix this by **including triangles in the horizontal collision check**. Here's how to do it:

1 Update `BlobPlayer.update()` for horizontal triangle collision

Right now your horizontal collision loop is:

```
for (const s of platforms) {
  if (overlapAABB(box, s)) {
    if (this.vx > 0) box.x = s.x - box.w;
    else if (this.vx < 0) box.x = s.x + s.w;
    this.vx = 0;
  }
}
```

We need to include triangles here. So first, combine collidables **for horizontal and vertical separately**:

```
const collidables = [...platforms, ...triangleBoxes];
```

Then use `collidables` for **both X and Y collision checks**:

```
// --- Horizontal collision ---
box.x += this.vx;
for (const s of collidables) {
  if (overlapAABB(box, s)) {
    if (this.vx > 0) box.x = s.x - box.w; // moving right, block at left side
    else if (this.vx < 0) box.x = s.x + s.w; // moving left, block at right side
    this.vx = 0;
  }
}

// --- Vertical collision ---
box.y += this.vy;
this.onGround = false;
for (const s of collidables) {
  if (overlapAABB(box, s)) {
```

```

    if (this.vy > 0) { // falling
      box.y = s.y - box.h;
      this.vy = 0;
      this.onGround = true;
    } else if (this.vy < 0) { // rising
      box.y = s.y + s.h;
      this.vy = 0;
    }
  }
}

```

2 Ensure `triangleBoxes` are AABB rectangles that match the triangle

In `WorldLevel.js`:

```

getTriangleBoxes() {
  return this.triangles.map(t => ({
    x: t.x - t.size / 2,
    y: t.y - t.size, // top of triangle
    w: t.size,
    h: t.size,
  }));
}

```

✅ This is already correct. The box is a **square bounding the triangle**, so horizontal collisions will now block the blob.

3 Summary of what changed

- Combined platforms + triangles into `collidables`.
- Used `collidables` in **horizontal collision** loop as well as vertical.
- Now the blob cannot move **through triangles horizontally** — it will “bump” into them.

If you want, I can rewrite **the full `BlobPlayer.update()` method** with these triangle horizontal collisions fully integrated so you can just paste it in and it will work.

Do you want me to do that?

the blob disappeared again: `/* BlobPlayer.js (Example 5) BlobPlayer owns all "dynamic" player state: - position (x,y), radius (r) - velocity (vx,vy) - movement tuning (accel, friction, max run) - jump state (onGround) - blob rendering animation parameters (noise wobble) It also implements: - update() for physics + collision against platforms - jump() for input - draw() for the "breathing blob" look The algorithm is the same as the original blob world`

example from Week 2: - Apply input acceleration - Apply friction - Apply gravity - Compute an AABB (box) around the blob - Move box in X and resolve collisions - Move box in Y and resolve collisions - Write back box center to blob position */

```

class BlobPlayer {
  constructor() { // ----- Transform ----- this.x = 0; this.y = 0; this.r = 26; // ----- Velocity -----
    this.vx = 0; this.vy = 0; // ----- Movement tuning (matches your original values) -----
    this.accel = 0.55; this.maxRun = 4.0; // Physics values that are typically overridden per level.
    this.gravity = 0.65; this.jumpV = -11.0; // State used by jumping + friction choice.
    this.onGround = false; // Friction: // - in air: almost no friction (keeps momentum) // - on ground: more friction (stops more quickly)
    this.frictionAir = 0.995; this.frictionGround = 0.88; // ----- Blob rendering / animation -----
    this.t = 0; this.tSpeed = 0.01; this.wobble = 7;
    this.points = 48; this.wobbleFreq = 0.9; } /* Apply level settings + spawn the player. We reset velocities so each level starts consistently. */
  spawnFromLevel(level) { this.gravity = level.gravity; this.jumpV = level.jumpV; this.x = level.start.x; this.y = level.start.y; this.r = level.start.r;
    this.vx = 0; this.vy = 0; this.onGround = false; } /* Update movement + resolve collisions against all platforms. Input is polled with keysDown to get smooth movement (held keys). This keeps the behavior aligned with your original blob example. */
  update(platforms, triangleBoxes = []) { // 1) Horizontal input let move = 0; if (keysDown(65) || keysDown(LEFT_ARROW)) move -= 1; if (keysDown(68) || keysDown(RIGHT_ARROW)) move += 1;
    // 2) Acceleration this.vx += this.accel * move; // 3) Friction this.vx *= this.onGround ? this.frictionGround : this.frictionAir; // 4) Clamp max run this.vx = constrain(this.vx, -this.maxRun, this.maxRun);
    // 5) Gravity this.vy += this.gravity; // 6) Build AABB box let box = { x: this.x - this.r, y: this.y - this.r, w: this.r * 2, h: this.r * 2, }; // --- Horizontal collision ---
    box.x += this.vx; for (const s of collidables) { if (overlapAABB(box, s)) { if (this.vx > 0) box.x = s.x - box.w; // moving right, block at left side else if (this.vx < 0) box.x = s.x + s.w;
    // moving left, block at right side this.vx = 0; } } // --- Vertical collision --- box.y += this.vy; this.onGround = false; for (const s of collidables) { if (overlapAABB(box, s)) { if (this.vy > 0) { // falling
    box.y = s.y - box.h; this.vy = 0; this.onGround = true; } else if (this.vy < 0) { // rising box.y = s.y + s.h; this.vy = 0; } } } // 9) Write back center this.x = box.x + box.w / 2; this.y = box.y + box.h / 2;
    // 10) Constrain horizontally this.x = constrain(this.x, this.r, width - this.r); // 11) Animation this.t += this.tSpeed; } // Jump: only possible when on ground.
  jump() { if (!this.onGround) return; this.vy = this.jumpV; this.onGround = false; } /* Draw the blob with a wobbly outline: - we sample a noise value around the circle - perturb the radius slightly per vertex - this creates an organic "breathing" look This is the same technique as the original drawBlob() function. */
  draw(colourHex) { fill(color(colourHex)); beginShape(); for (let i = 0; i < this.points; i++) { const a = (i / this.points) * TAU; // Noise input: circle coordinates + time.
    const n = noise(cos(a) * this.wobbleFreq + 100, sin(a) * this.wobbleFreq + 100, this.t, ); // Map noise to a small radius offset. const rr = this.r + map(n, 0, 1, -this.wobble, this.wobble);
    // Place the vertex around the center. vertex(this.x +

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cos(a) * rr, this.y + sin(a) * rr); } endShape(CLOSE); } } /* Collision function: AABB overlap
test. - a is the moving player "box" - b is a platform rectangle We accept b as either: - a
Platform instance (with x,y,w,h) - or a plain object with x,y,w,h This keeps it flexible. */
function overlapAABB(a, b) { return ( a.x < b.x + b.w && a.x + a.w > b.x && a.y < b.y + b.h &&
a.y + a.h > b.y ); }
```

Ah — I see the exact problem that's making your blob disappear. It's a **simple scoping issue**.

In your `update()` method, you wrote this:

```
// --- Horizontal collision ---
box.x += this.vx;
for (const s of collidables) {
  if (overlapAABB(box, s)) {
    if (this.vx > 0)
      box.x = s.x - box.w; // moving right, block at left side
    else if (this.vx < 0) box.x = s.x + s.w; // moving left, block at right
side
    this.vx = 0;
  }
}
```

...but `collidables` is not defined anywhere above this point. You only defined it later for vertical collision:

```
const collidables = [...platforms, ...triangleBoxes];
```

Since JavaScript cannot see `collidables` before it's declared, this throws an error **and the blob never gets drawn**.

✓ Fix

Move the `collidables` definition **to the top of the update method before** any collision checks:

```
update(platforms, triangleBoxes = []) {
  // --- Combine collidables for both horizontal and vertical collisions ---
  const collidables = [...platforms, ...triangleBoxes];

  // 1) Horizontal input
  let move = 0;
  if (keyIsDown(65) || keyIsDown(LEFT_ARROW)) move -= 1;
  if (keyIsDown(68) || keyIsDown(RIGHT_ARROW)) move += 1;

  // 2) Acceleration
  this.vx += this.accel * move;

  // 3) Friction
```



```
this.vx *= this.onGround ? this.frictionGround : this.frictionAir;

// 4) Clamp max run
this.vx = constrain(this.vx, -this.maxRun, this.maxRun);

// 5) Gravity
this.vy += this.gravity;

// 6) Build AABB box
let box = {
  x: this.x - this.r,
  y: this.y - this.r,
  w: this.r * 2,
  h: this.r * 2,
};

// --- Horizontal collision ---
box.x += this.vx;
for (const s of collidables) {
  if (overlapAABB(box, s)) {
    if (this.vx > 0) box.x = s.x - box.w;
    else if (this.vx < 0) box.x = s.x + s.w;
    this.vx = 0;
  }
}

// --- Vertical collision ---
box.y += this.vy;
this.onGround = false;
for (const s of collidables) {
  if (overlapAABB(box, s)) {
    if (this.vy > 0) { // falling
      box.y = s.y - box.h;
      this.vy = 0;
      this.onGround = true;
    } else if (this.vy < 0) { // rising
      box.y = s.y + s.h;
      this.vy = 0;
    }
  }
}

// 9) Write back center
this.x = box.x + box.w / 2;
this.y = box.y + box.h / 2;

// 10) Constrain horizontally
this.x = constrain(this.x, this.r, width - this.r);

// 11) Animation
this.t += this.tSpeed;
}
```

◆ Why this fixes it

1. `collidables` now exists **before you try to use it** in the horizontal collision loop.
 2. Triangles are included in **both horizontal and vertical collisions**, so the blob **cannot move through them in any direction**.
 3. The blob will appear at its start position and respond correctly to collisions.
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If you want, I can write a **fully ready-to-paste BlobPlayer + WorldLevel combo** with **solid triangles** and **horizontal collision** fully integrated so it works immediately. This will guarantee the blob stays visible and cannot pass through triangles.

Do you want me to do that?

what is the hex code for a deep red?

A good hex code for a deep red is:

#8B0000

- This is a very dark, rich red.
- If you want slightly brighter but still deep, you could use **#B22222** (firebrick red).

You can use it in your JSON like this:

```
"theme": {  
  "bg": "#F0F0F0",  
  "platform": "#8B0000",  
  "blob": "#1478FF"  
}
```

If you want, I can give you **3–5 deep red shades** with their hex codes so you can pick the one you like best. Do you want me to do that?

what is the hex code for a deep brown colour

A nice deep brown hex color is:

#5C4033 – a rich, dark brown.

Some alternatives for deep brown shades:

- **#4E342E** – very dark chocolate brown
- **#654321** – classic deep brown
- **#3E2723** – almost black-brown

- **#6F4E37** – medium-deep warm brown

For example, in your JSON theme for platforms:

```
"theme": {  
  "bg": "#F0F0F0",  
  "platform": "#5C4033",  
  "blob": "#1478FF"  
}
```

I can also suggest **a palette of 5 complementary deep browns** that would look good together in your game. Do you want me to do that?