Third Blob From the Sun DESIGN DOCUMENT

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Introduction

Game Summary Pitch

Third Blob From the Sun is a grid-based puzzle game about strategically spreading slime to navigate to the goal.

Inspiration

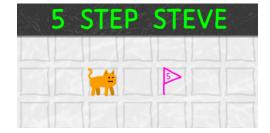
Baba Is You

One of the best puzzle games in recent times. It is a great example of grid based movement, and puzzle mechanics introduced at a challenging but manageable pace.



5 Step Steve

5 step steve is a puzzle game where you only have 5 steps to move before you die. It creatively uses puzzle mechanics, has a movement mechanic similar to ours, and also was a jam game.



Player Experience

Throughout progressively complex levels, the player will learn how to carefully spread themself while also consuming to grow to the right size. The end goal being: make it to the city and eventually cover the world!

Platform

Windows PC Web (Play in browser)

Development Software

- Godot for programming and game design
- Krita and Aseprite for graphics and UI
- FL Studio 20 for all music and SFX

Genre

Top Down, Puzzle

Target Audience

Blobs mostly but anyone can play Seriously though- puzzle game enjoyers!

Concept

Theme Interpretation (It's Spreading)

You play as a blob and whenever you touch another one of your blobs it becomes a part of you. As you move the blob **spreads** along the floor (slime trail). The theme and lore of the game coming to a point when the game ends and the blob has covered the entire world, only to spread out into space...

Primary Mechanics

Mechanic Mass You have a mass, which is increased by picking up objects in the world. Some levels require a certain amount of remaining mass to complete. Slime Trail As you move around, pieces of yourself are spread across the world.

Secondary Mechanics

Mechanic	Animated Mockup (Art not necessarily final)		
Splitting			
Sometimes, you'll come across spikes, which will separate you and into two different blobs and allow you to squeeze through tight spaces.			

Art

Design

Main Menu- Inside a cloud with your fellow blobs preparing spread over the earth.

3 areas

- Sewers- Base Movement + Mechanics
 - ☑ Room 1 slimeloss, eating

 - ☑ Room 3 slimed tiles, backtracking
 - ☑ Room 4 (Combining mechanics, harder puzzles)
 - ☑ Room 5 (Combining mechanics, harder puzzles)
- City Streets- Offsets +Splitting
 - ☑ Room 1 Spike, split, recombine
 - ☑ Room 2 mini blob sacrifice
 - ☑ Room 3 mini blob offset

- ☑ Room 5 (Combining mechanics, harder puzzles)
- Entire city-4x4 blob (spectacle)

 - ☑ Room 3- (Combining mechanics, harder puzzles)
 - ☑ Room 4- (Combining mechanics, harder puzzles)
 - ☑ Room 5- (Combining mechanics, harder puzzles)
 - ☑ Cutscene The earth slowly gets taken over by the blob.

Audio

Music

FLStudio 20

Sound Effects

FLStudio 20

Game Experience

UI

Modern art style

Controls

Keyboard

Movement - WASD, 🗲 👔 🔁 💵

Pause - ESC

Retry Level - R

Skip Cutscene - Bottom Action, PS Cross, Xbox A, Nintendo B

Gamepad

Movement - DPAD, Left Joystick
Pause - Start, Xbox Menu, Nintendo +
Retry Level - Left Action, PS Square, Xbox X, Nintendo Y
Skip Cutscene - Bottom Action, PS Cross, Xbox A, Nintendo B

Development Timeline

MINIMUM VIABLE PRODUCT

#	Assignment	Туре	Status	Finish By	Notes
1	Design Document	Other •	Finished •	Jan 12,	
2	Simple Blob Sprite	Art •	Finished •	Jan 12,	Silver
3	Menu Music	Audio -	Finished •	Jan 19,	
4	Sewer Music	Audio -	Finished •	Jan 19,	
5	City Music	Audio -	Finished •	Jan 19,	Final level
6	Street Music	Audio -	Finished •	Jan 18,	
7	Blob movement	Coding	Finished •	Jan 12,	Juddud
8	Main Menu	Coding -	Finished •	Jan 12,	Zarkey
9	Slime Trail	Coding -	Finished •	Jan 14,	
10	Blob Mass	Coding -	Finished •	Jan 19,	
11	End-of-Level Mass Check	Coding •	Finished •	Jan 12,	Zarkey
12	Menu Buttons	Art •	Finished •	Jan 12,	Bem

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13	Sewer Level	Art •	Finished •	Jan 19,	
14	Street Level	Art -	Finished •	Jan 19,	
15	City Level	Art -	Finished •	Jan 19,	
16	Blob Splitting	Coding •	Finished •	Jan 19,	
17	Blob Growing (Mass)	Coding •	Finished •	Jan 19,	Eating objects
18	Collect objects for mass	Coding •	Finished •	Jan 19,	Rats/people/etc.
19	Level Start (Blob Mass)	Coding •	Finished -	Jan 19,	
20	Blob Mass Display	Coding •	Finished -	Jan 24,	
21	Blob movement	Art -	Finished •	Jan 19,	Animation
22	Menu Background	Art -	Finished •	Jan 26,	
23	Slime Trail	Art -	Finished •	Jan 23,	Animation (?)
24	Doors With Mass Reqs.	Art -	Finished •	Jan 17,	For end of levels
25	Blob Splitting	Art -	Finished •	Jan 18,	Animation
26	Blob Growing/Eating	Art •	Finished •	Jan 19,	Animation
27	Collect objects for mass	Art -	Finished -	Jan 24,	Rats/people/etc.
28	Blob Mass Display	Art -	Finished •	Jan 15,	Current blob mass
29	Testing/Sandbox Level	Coding •	Finished •	Jan 19,	
30	Testing/Sandbox Level	Art -	Finished •	Jan 13,	Background, menus
31	Door	Coding •	Finished •	Jan 13,	
32	Door	Art •	Finished •	Jan 13,	

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33	Camera system	Coding -	Finished •	Jan 14,	
34	Movement SFX	Audio -	Finished •	Jan 24,	
35	Restart System	Coding •	Finished •	Jan 17,	
36	Restart button	Coding -	Finished •	Jan 18,	
37	Last CheckPoint	Coding •	Finished •	Jan 18,	
38	Restart Button	Art -	Finished •	Jan 20,	
39	"About the Devs" page	Art -	Finished •	Jan 26,	
40	Create Sewer Wall Tileset	Art •	Finished •	Jan 21,	Bem
41	Dynamic spike signal	Coding -	Finished •	Jan 24,	Importable signal
42	Dynamic door signals	Coding •	Finished •	Jan 17,	Automatically connect doors
43	Blob mass +/- display	Coding •	Finished -	Jan 23,	Show negative (red) mass on move, positive (green) mass on eat, float and fade out above character
44	Skip cutscene button/key	Coding •	Finished •	Jan 22,	Maybe space or esc
45	Smooth camera	Coding •	Finished •	Jan 26,	Instead of snapping when scrolling, have a smoother movement
46	Smooth Menu Music	Audio -	Finished -	Jan 25,	Make the music keep playing between menus