

← Project 5: A kernel module

Due by midnight, Sunday 12/9 (or late on Monday)

In this project, you will write a kernel module to create a new software device, `/dev/dice`, which returns randomly selected rolls of a 6-sided die. You'll also write a very simple game that can make use of that kernel module.

This project will give you practice with using a **virtual machine** - a kind of emulator for running an operating system inside another operating system.

1. [Set up your VM](#)
2. [The Game: Craps \(no, not this kind 🎲\)](#)
3. [The Kernel Module](#) `/dev/dice`

Grading Breakdown

- [5] Submitted properly
 - See instructions below!!!
- **Craps [55]**
 - [8] compiles with `gcc -Wall -Werror --std=c99 -m32 -static -o craps craps.c`
 - [10] reads random numbers from the file specified on the command line (instead of `rand()`)
 - [10] checks for errors when doing `open/read/fopen/fread` calls
 - [10] asks for username and asks for play/quit using **strings**, not numbers
 - [10] properly implements rules of the game
 - [5] code style
- **Kernel module [40]**
 - [5] compiles with `make ARCH=i386`
 - [10] properly updates `ppos`
 - [10] generates random numbers
 - *without* making a large stack buffer like `unsigned char rolls[count];`
 - [10] handles an arbitrary number of bytes for the output
 - [5] code style

Submission Instructions

Remove or comment out all debugging `printf/printk` statements. Put your name at the top of each source file. Make a copy of your code somewhere.

Create a tar archive (tarchive?) containing two things:

- The entire folder containing your kernel module's **source code, Makefile, and rules**
 - The grader should be able to `cd` into it and `make ARCH=i386` and see that it builds.
- Your `craps.c` file.

Now you can [submit as usual](#).

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