

# Assignment 1 Design – Jack Vento (1816097)

## The Game

Left, Right, Center is traditionally played at a table with three die where players take turns in a clockwise manner. They will roll all three die if they have \$3 or more or only 1 or 2 die if they hold less than that. Depending on their rolls, they will either give money left, right, or center (the pot) or pass. This cycle continues until only one player has money left where they then win the pot.

The program will have three main sections:

- Introduction: initialize variables, allocate memory, get the seed + number of players, check that those inputs are valid
- Gameplay: loop clockwise where each player rolls dice  $0 < x < 4$  times depending on their currency, transfer their money left, right, or center if they didn't roll passes, update all affected balances, take any players out who don't have money, and then find the next player whose turn it is.
- Conclusion: print the winning message and free any dynamic memory used.

## Variables

- Currency: *pot* (money in the pot), *balances* (dynamic array of `uint32_t` holding each player's currency).
- Players: *num\_players* (total players), *current\_player* (player currently rolling), *players\_left* (players still with currency),
- Misc: *seed* (the random seed), *names* (array of predetermined names), *die* (array of possible rolls), *die\_rolls* (amount of times *current\_player* will roll), *die\_result* (enum result from `rand()`).

## Pseudocode

### Helper Functions

#### **left(pos, players)**

**Output:** Position of the player to the left.

#### **right(pos, players)**

**Output:** Position of the player to the right.

#### **transfer\_money(fromPos, toPos, balArray)**

**Input:** Positions to transfer money from and to, pointer to balances array

**Output:** Whether we need to update the player count (did a player lose all their money in this transfer?)

Decrement `balArray[fromPos]`

`start_bal`  $\leftarrow$  `balArray[toPos]`

Increment `balArray[toPos]`

Print the transfer

if `start_bal`  $\leftarrow$  0 then

    return true

## Main

Initialize currency and player variables

Print random seed prompt, check input validity, store input in *seed* if good input

Print player count prompt, check input validity, store input in num\_players if good input

Initialize balances[] with length num\_players and values equal to the starting amount (macro)

while players\_left > 1 do

    Store results of right() and left()

    Determine die\_rolls based on current\_player's balance

    for die\_rolls do

        die\_result = result of rand() % 6

        switch die\_result

            Pass or transfer money either left, right, or to the pot using transfer\_money()

        Print each result of the die

    if balances[current\_player] < 0 then

        Decrement players\_left

    if balances[right\_player] > 0 then

        current\_player ← right\_player

    else

        current\_player ← next player clockwise with currency (for loop using right())

Print the win message

Free balances[]

End