LAB 4 LINUX KERNEL DEVELOPMENT



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1. Modify kernel parameters and install new modules

- List all linux kernel parameters on your OS:

sysctl -a

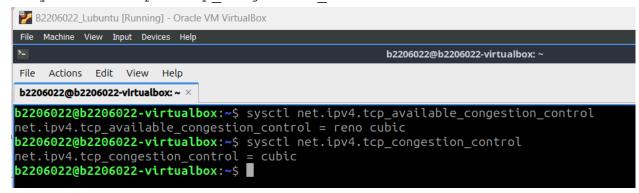
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File Actions Edit View
                     Help
b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox: ~ ×
b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox:~$ sysctl -a
abi.vsyscall32 = 1
debug.exception-trace = 1
debug.kprobes-optimization = 1
dev.cdrom.autoclose = 1
dev.cdrom.autoeject = 0
dev.cdrom.check media = 0
dev.cdrom.debug = 0
dev.cdrom.info = CD-ROM information, Id: cdrom.c 3.20 2003/12/17
dev.cdrom.info =
dev.cdrom.info = drive name:
                                           sr0
dev.cdrom.info = drive speed:
                                           32
dev.cdrom.info = drive # of slots:
                                           1
dev.cdrom.info = Can close tray:
                                                   1
dev.cdrom.info = Can open tray:
dev.cdrom.info = Can lock tray:
                                           1
dev.cdrom.info = Can change speed:
dev.cdrom.info = Can select disk:
dev.cdrom.info = Can read multisession: 1
dev.cdrom.info = Can read MCN:
dev.cdrom.info = Reports media changed: 1
```

- List all available TCP congestion control algorithms:

sysctl net.ipv4.tcp available congestion control

- Show which TCP congestion control algorithm is using:

sysctl net.ipv4.tcp congestion control

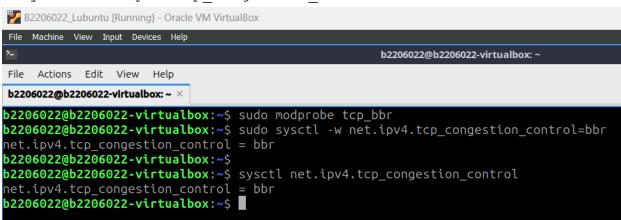


- Install bbr TCP congestion control algorithm module:

sudo modprobe tcp bbr

- Switch to the bbr TCP congestion control algorithm:

sudo sysctl -w net.ipv4.tcp_congestion_control=bbr
sysctl net.ipv4.tcp_congestion_control

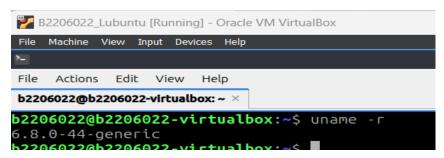


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2. Install new kernel version

- Show your current kernel version:

uname -r



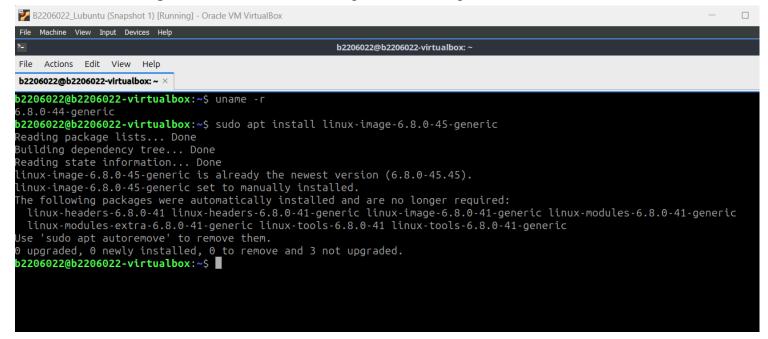
- Search for newer versions:

sudo apt search linux-image

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                                                      b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox: ~
File Actions Edit View Help
b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox: ~ ×
b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox:~$ uname -r
6.8.0-44-generic
b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox:~$ sudo apt search linux-image
Sorting... Done
Full Text Search... Done
alsa-base/noble,noble,now 1.0.25+dfsg-Oubuntu7 all [installed,automatic]
 ALSA driver configuration files
inux-image-6.8.0-1003-gke/noble 6.8.0-1003.5 amd64
 Signed kernel image gke
inux-image-6.8.0-1004-gke/noble-updates,noble-security 6.8.0-1004.7 amd64.
 Signed kernel image gke
inux-image-6.8.0-1005-gke/noble-updates,noble-security 6.8.0-1005.8 amd64.
 Signed kernel image gke
inux-image-6.8.0-1005-ibm/noble 6.8.0-1005.5 amd64
 Signed kernel image ibm
inux-image-6.8.0-1005-intel/noble-updates, noble-security 6.8.0-1005.12 amd64
 Signed kernel image intel
inux-image-6.8.0-1005-oem/noble 6.8.0-1005.5 amd64
 Signed kernel image oem
inux-image-6.8.0-1005-oracle/noble 6.8.0-1005.5 amd64
 Signed kernel image oracle
inux-image-6.8.0-1006-gke/noble-updates,noble-security 6.8.0-1006.9 amd64.
 Signed kernel image gke
```

- Install the latest version you find:

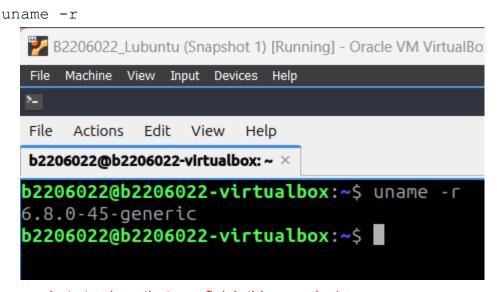
sudo apt install linux-image-x.x.x-x-generic



- After a kernel upgrade, you must reboot the system. Then, if the device driver you need is in the latest kernel, your hardware will work as expected:

sudo shutdown -r now

- Show your new current kernel version:



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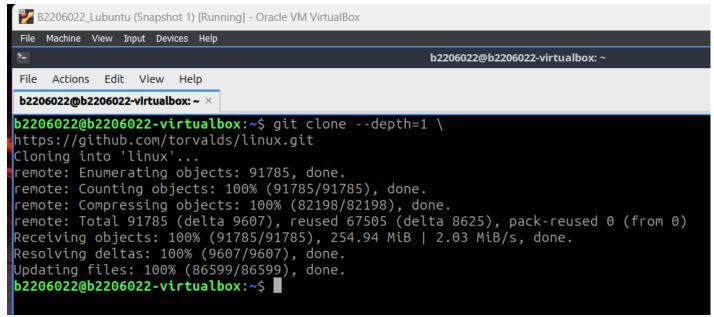
3. Build and install a new kernel version

- Get your system ready

sudo apt update
sudo apt-get install build-essential vim git cscope
libncurses-dev libssl-dev bison flex libelf-dev bc git-email -y

- Clone a mainline kernel source code to your computer:

```
git clone --depth=1 \
https://github.com/torvalds/linux.git
```



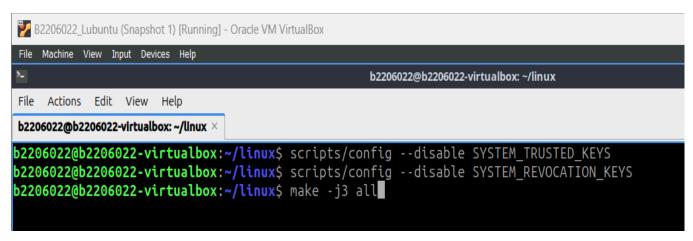
- To save time, just create a configuration file based on the list of modules currently loaded on your system (choose default values for other options).

```
lsmod > /tmp/my-lsmod
make LSMOD=/tmp/my-lsmod localmodconfig
```

```
🔀 B2206022_Lubuntu (Snapshot 1) [Running] - Oracle VM VirtualBox
File Machine View Input Devices Help
                                                    b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox: ~/linux
File Actions Edit View Help
b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox: ~/linux ×
b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox:~$ lsmod > /tmp/my-lsmod
b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox:~$ cd linux
b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox:~/linux$ make LSMOD=/tmp/my-lsmod localmodconfig
 HOSTCC scripts/basic/fixdep
HOSTCC scripts/kconfig/conf.o
 HOSTCC scripts/kconfig/confdata.o
  HOSTCC scripts/kconfig/expr.o
          scripts/kconfig/lexer.lex.c
  LEX
  YACC
          scripts/kconfig/parser.tab.[ch]
  HOSTCC scripts/kconfig/lexer.lex.o
  HOSTCC scripts/kconfig/menu.o
  HOSTCC scripts/kconfig/parser.tab.o
  HOSTCC scripts/kconfig/preprocess.o
 HOSTCC scripts/kconfig/symbol.o
 HOSTCC scripts/kconfig/util.o
 HOSTLD scripts/kconfig/conf
using config: '/boot/config-6.8.0-45-generic'
System keyring enabled but keys "debian/canonical-certs.pem" not found. Resetting keys to default value.
nodule ip_tables did not have configs CONFIG_IP_NF_IPTABLES_LEGACY
config:968:warning: symbol value '0' invalid for BASE_SMALL
  Restart config...
  General setup
Compile also drivers which will not load (COMPILE_TEST) [N/y/?] n
Compile the kernel with warnings as errors (WERROR) [N/y/?] n
Local version - append to kernel release (LOCALVERSION) []
Automatically append version information to the version string (LOCALVERSION_AUTO) [N/y/?] n
Build ID Salt (BUILD_SALT) []
Kernel compression mode
  1. Gzip (KERNEL GZIP)
 Bzip2 (KERNEL_BZIP2)
  3. LZMA (KERNEL LZMA)
  4. XZ (KERNEL XZ)
```

- Disable certificate stuff:

```
scripts/config --disable SYSTEM_TRUSTED_KEYS
scripts/config --disable SYSTEM REVOCATION KEYS
```

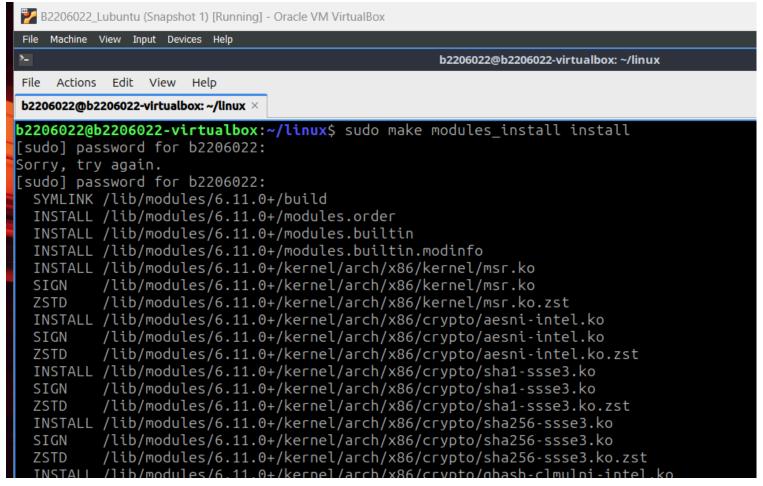


- Compile the kernel. The process takes about 1 hour, please be patient and enjoy a cup of coffee. It has been tested successfully on Lubuntu 20.04, if any errors occur, please try to fix them by yourself.

make -j3 all

- Install the new kernel:

sudo make modules install install



- Now it is time to reboot the system to boot the newly installed kernel:

sudo shutdown -r now

- Show your new current kernel version:

uname -r 🛂 B2206022_Lubuntu (Snapshot 1) [Running] - Oracle VM VirtualBox File Machine View Input Devices Help ` **b2** File Actions Edit View Help b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox: ~ × **b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox:~**\$ uname -r h22060220h2206022-victualbox

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4. Writing Your First Kernel Patch

- Creating a new branch in the linux mainline repository (has been cloned in exercise 3)

```
git checkout -b first-patch
```

- Update the kernel

git fetch origin

```
🛂 B2206022_Lubuntu (Snapshot 3) [Running] - Oracle VM VirtualBox
File Machine View Input Devices Help
File Actions Edit View Help
b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox: ~/linux ×
b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox:~/linux$ git checkout -b first-patch
Switched to a new branch 'first-patch'
b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox:~/linux$ git fetch origin
From https://github.com/torvalds/linux
  [new tag]
                                 v2.6.12
                                                    -> v2.6.12
                                                    -> v2.6.12-rc2
   [new tag]
                                 v2.6.12-rc2
                                 v2.6.12-rc3
                                                    -> v2.6.12-rc3
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   [new tag]
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                                 v2.6.15-rc6
                                                    -> v2.6.15-rc6
```

- Run lsmod to see the modules loaded on your system, and pick a driver to change. One driver that's included in all VM images is the e1000 driver, the Intel ethernet driver, or you can choose another driver depending on your working environment.

```
- Run git grep to look for e1000 files
     git grep e1000 -- '*Makefile'
- Make a small change to the probe function of the e1000 driver
     nano drivers/net/ethernet/intel/e1000/e1000 main.c
     # Add a line of code as below
     static int e1000 probe(struct pci dev *pdev, const struct
pci device id *ent) {
     . . .
     struct e1000 hw *hw;
     printk(KERN DEBUG "I can modify the Linux kernel!\n");
     static int cards found = 0;
     . . .
- Compile and install your changes:
     make -j3
     sudo make modules install install
- Reboot the system:
     sudo shutdown -r now
- Show kernel buffer log:
     dmesq | less
     # Search for your printk in the log file by typing "/I can
modify"
```

```
🔀 B2206022_Lubuntu (Snapshot 3) [Running] - Oracle VM VirtualBox
   Machine View Input Devices Help
File Actions Edit
                View
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b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox: ~/linux ×
     1.193043] sda: sda1
     1.193099] sd 2:0:0:0: [sda] Attached SCSI disk
     1.231042] usbcore: registered new interface di
     1.231045] usbhid: USB HID core driver
     1.238236] input: VirtualBox USB Tablet as /dev
t/input5
     1.238456] hid-generic 0003:80EE:0021.0001: ing
:06.0-1/input0
     1.252736] input: ImExPS/2 PixArt clickpad as
     1.427659] I can modify the Linux kernel!
     1.428151] e1000 0000:00:03.0 eth0: (PCI:33MHz
     1.428160] e1000 0000:00:03.0 eth0: Intel(R) PA
     1.429217] e1000 0000:00:03.0 enp0s3: renamed
                                 gen() 24736 MB/s
     2.769191] raid6: sse2x4
     2.786362] raid6: sse2x2 gen() 24999 MB/s
```

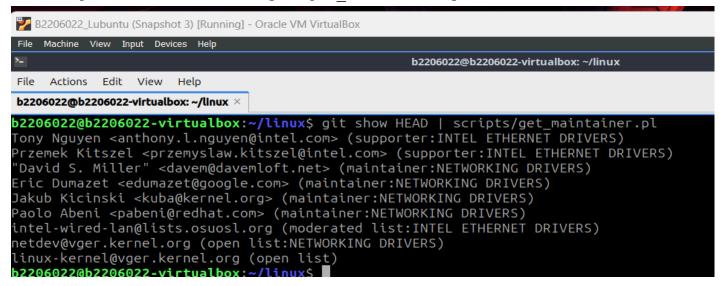
- Committing changes, and view your commit

```
git add . git commit -s -v -m "My first kernel patch" git show HEAD
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B2206022_Lubuntu (Snapshot 3) [Running] - Oracle VM VirtualBox
   Machine View Input Devices Help
                                                     b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox: ~/linux
File Actions Edit View Help
b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox: ~/linux ×
b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox:~/linux$ git add .
b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox:~/linux$ git commit -s -v -m "My first kernel patch"
[first-patch 36b88919c096] My first kernel patch
1 file changed, 1 insertion(+), 1 deletion(-)
b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox:~/linux$ git show HEAD
                                            Sa01bdc (HEAD -> first-patch)
Author: Vinh Lam the <vinhb2206022@student.ctu.edu.vn>
        Fri Sep 27 18:57:46 2024 +0700
    My first kernel patch
    Signed-off-by: Vinh_Lam_the <vinhb2206022@student.ctu.edu.vn>
diff --git a/drivers/net/ethernet/intel/e1000/e1000_main.c b/drivers/net/ethernet/intel/e1000/e1000_main.c
index ab7ae418d294..bc5d4c3a52a6 100644
--- a/drivers/net/ethernet/intel/e1000/e1000_main.c
+++ b/drivers/net/ethernet/intel/e1000/e1000_main.c
u16 vid = hw->mng_cookie.vlan_id;
        u16 old_vid = adapter->mng_vlan_id;
        printk(KERN DEBUG "I can modify the Linux kernel!\n");
        if (!e1000_vlan_used(adapter))
                 return;
```

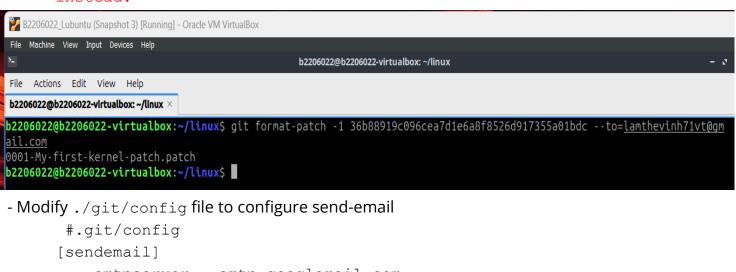
- Find whom to send the patch to

git show HEAD | scripts/get maintainer.pl



- Create a patch

git format-patch -1 <commit ID> --to=<your email> Note: Please do not send your patch to a maintainer, send it to yourself instead.



#.git/config
[sendemail]
 smtpserver = smtp.googlemail.com
 smtpencryption = tls
 smtpserverport = 587
 smtpuser = your gmail address (CTU student email is OK
- Send the patch

git send-email <patch file>

[PATCH] My first kernel patch Hộp thư đến x



```
Vinh Lam the <vinhb2206022@student.ctu.edu.vn>
đến lamthevinh71vt, tôi -
Signed-off-by: Vinh_Lam_the < vinhb2206022@student.ctu.edu.vn>
drivers/net/ethernet/intel/e1000/e1000 main.c | 2 +-
1 file changed, 1 insertion(+), 1 deletion(-)
diff --git a/drivers/net/ethernet/intel/e1000/e1000_main.c b/drivers/net/ethernet/intel/e1000/e1000_main.c
index ab7ae418d294..bc5d4c3a52a6 100644
--- a/drivers/net/ethernet/intel/e1000/e1000 main.c
+++ b/drivers/net/ethernet/intel/e1000/e1000_main.c
@@ -301,7 +301,7 @@ static void e1000_update_mng_vlan(struct e1000_adapter *adapter)
    struct net_device *netdev = adapter->netdev;
    u16 vid = hw->mng_cookie.vlan_id;
    u16 old vid = adapter->mng vlan id;
   printk(KERN_DEBUG "I can modify the Linux kernel!\n");
    if (!e1000_vlan_used(adapter))
         return;
2.43.0
```

(take screenshots to show that you finish this exercise)

5. Writing a simple Linux kernel module: Greeter sample

This module simply takes a name as a parameter, and writes a greeting to the kernel log (/var/log/kern.log):

- Clone this repository to your computer:

https://github.com/TuanThai/linux-kernel-module.git

```
B2206022_Lubuntu (Snapshot 4) [Running] - Oracle VM VirtualBox

File Machine View Input Devices Help

b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox: ~ ×

cloning into 'linux-kernel-module'...

remote: Enumerating objects: 54, done.

remote: Counting objects: 100% (6/6), done.

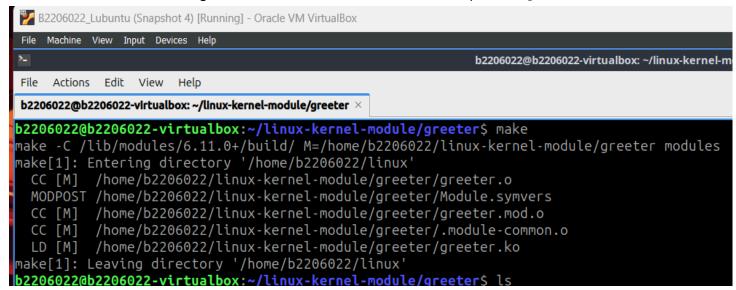
remote: Compressing objects: 100% (6/6), done.

remote: Total 54 (delta 1), reused 2 (delta 0), pack-reused 48 (from 1)

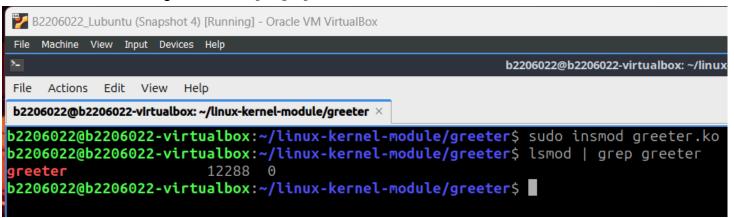
Receiving objects: 100% (54/54), 16.35 KiB | 540.00 KiB/s, done.

Resolving deltas: 100% (17/17), done.
```

- Move into greeter/ directory.ls
- Build the module using make command. The module is compiled to greeter.ko



- Install the module using insmod greeter.ko command, then show that the module has been installed using lsmod | grep greeter command



- Show the information of the module using modinfo greeter.ko

```
B2206022_Lubuntu (Snapshot 4) [Running] - Oracle VM VirtualBox
File Machine View Input Devices Help
                                                               b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox:
File Actions Edit View Help
b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox: ~/linux-kernel-module/greeter ×
b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox:~/linux-kernel-module/greeter$ modinfo greeter.ko
                 /home/b2206022/linux-kernel-module/greeter/greeter.ko
filename:
version:
                 0.1
                 A simple kernel module to greet a user
description:
                 GPL v2
author:
                 Dave Kerr
srcversion:
                 92DAF73EE64FF6362E081BD
depends:
                 greeter
retpoline:
vermagic:
                 6.11.0+ SMP preempt mod unload modversions
                 name:The name to display in /var/log/kern.log (charp)
parm:
b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox:~/linux-kernel-module/greeter$
```

- Show kernel log with dmesq

```
[ 1196.259912] greeter: module loaded at 0x00000000ac1cb0e5
[ 1196.259934] greeter: greetings Bilbo
b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox:~/linux-kernel-module/greeter$
```

- Remove the module using ${\tt rmmod}$ greeter.ko command, then show that the module has been removed using ${\tt lsmod}$ | grep greeter command.
 - Show kernel log with dmesq

```
B2206022_Lubuntu (Snapshot 4) [Running] - Oracle VM VirtualBox
File
   Machine
           View
                Input Devices
                           Help
                                                                       b2206022@b2
File
     Actions
             Edit
                  View
                        Help
b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox: \sim/linux-kernel-module/greeter \times
                  greeter: module loaded at 0x00000000ac1cb0e5
  1196.259912]
                 greeter: greetings Bilbo
 1196.259934]
 1623.574023] greeter: goodbye Bilbo
                 greeter: module unloaded from 0x000000005ce0ac1c
  1623.574027]
```

- Move to greeter.c file, then briefly explain below functions:

```
B2206022_Lubuntu (Snapshot 4) [Running] - Oracle VM VirtualBox
 File Machine View Input Devices Help
                                                                     b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox: ~/linux-kernel-module/greeter
 File Actions Edit View Help
 b2206022@b2206022-virtualbox: ~/linux-kernel-module/greeter ×
                                                                                          greeter.c *
#define MODULE_NAME "greeter"
MODULE_AUTHOR("Dave Kerr");
MODULE_LICENSE("GPL v2");
MODULE_DESCRIPTION("A simple kernel module to greet a user");
MODULE_VERSION("0.1");
// Define the name parameter.
static char *name = "Bilbo";
module_param(name, charp, S_IRUGO);
 ODULE_PARM_DESC(name, "The name to display in /var/log/kern.log");
 // Print a greeting for the loaded module and the memory address of the greeter_init function
 tatic int __init greeter_init(void)
    pr_info("%s: module loaded at 0x%p\n", MODULE_NAME, greeter_init);
    pr_info("%s: greetings %s\n", MODULE_NAME, name);
// Print a goodbye message for the unloaded module and the memory address of the greeter_exit function
 static void __exit greeter_exit(void)
     pr_info("%s: goodbye %s\n", MODULE_NAME, name);
    pr_info("%s: module unloaded from 0x%p\n", MODULE_NAME, greeter_exit);
// Tell the kernel which function to call when loading the module
module_init(greeter_init);
// Tell the kernel which function to call when unloading the module
module_exit(greeter_exit);
```

greeter init:

- Purpose: This is the initialization function that is called when a module is loaded into the kernel.
- pr_info("%s: module loaded at 0x%p\n", MODULE_NAME, greeter_init); -> Prints information of the loaded module including name, memory address of the greeter_init function.
- pr_info("%s: greetings %s\n", MODULE_NAME, name);-> Prints a greeting, using the name provided by the user via the name parameter (default is "Bilbo").

```
greeter exit:
```

- Purpose: This is the cleanup function that is called when the module is removed from the kernel.
- pr_info("%s: goodbye %s\n", MODULE_NAME, name); -> Prints a goodbye message, using the name provided by the user via the name parameter (default is "Bilbo").
- Prints information of the removed module including the module name, the name parameter(default is "Bilbo).
- pr_info("%s: module unloaded from 0x%p\n", MODULE_NAME, greeter_exit);->
 Prints a message when the module is unloaded and shows the memory address of the greeter_exit function.

module_init(greeter_init) -> tells the kernel which function to call when loading
the module.

module_exit(greeter_exit) -> tells the kernel which function to call when unloading
the module.

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