HW 12, Due Jan 21

READ THE NOTES ON SECRET SHARING WITH CARDS THIS HW IS TWO PAGES LONG!!!!!!

You may use: If Alice has *a* cards and Bob has *b* card and Eve has 0 cards then Alice and Bob can Share $\lfloor \binom{a+b}{b} \rfloor$ secret bits.

- 1. (30 points) Alice has 4 cards, Bob has 2 cards, and Eve has 1 card.
 - (a) Do the tree-of-scenarios noting for each leaf how many secret bits Alice and Bob share.
 - (b) What is the most number of secret bits Alice and Bob can share?
 - (c) What is the most least number of secret bits Alice and Bob can share?
 - (d) What is the most average number of secret bits Alice and Bob can share?
- 2. (30 points) Alice has 3 cards, Bob has 3 cards, and Eve has 1 card.
 - (a) Do the tree-of-scenarios noting for each leaf how many secret bits Alice and Bob share.
 - (b) What is the most number of secret bits Alice and Bob can share?
 - (c) What is the most least number of secret bits Alice and Bob can share?
 - (d) What is the most average number of secret bits Alice and Bob can share?
- 3. (0 points but do for review) Assume that there are n cards and Eve will be getting e cards. Alice and Bob may get the same number of cards (called SAME) or a diff number of cards (DIFF).
 - (a) Alice and Bob want to maximize the number of bits they get in the best case. Should they do SAME or DIFF?
 - (b) Alice and Bob want to maximize the number of bits they get in the worst case. Should they do SAME or DIFF?
 - (c) Alice and Bob want to maximize the number of bits they get in the avg case. Should they do SAME or DIFF?

- 4. (20 points) Alice has n cards, Bob has n cards, Eve has n cards.
 - (a) Assume that EVERY time Alice or Bob says I have $a c_1$ or c_2 the other says I DO ALSO! How many secret bits will they share?
 - (b) Assume that EVERY time Alice or Bob says I have a c_1 or c_2 the other says I DO NOT! How many secret bits will they share? (You can use the web to see how to approximate factorials.)
- 5. (20 points) Give a, b, c, n such that $a, b, c \in \{1, \ldots, n-1\}, n \ge 2016$, and the equation $ax^2 + bx + c \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$ has at least \sqrt{n} solutions in the set $\{0, 1, \ldots, n-1\}$.