

**HW 10 CMSC 456. MORALLY DUE Nov 26**  
**NOTE- THE HW IS ONE PAGE LONG!!!!!!**

1. (0 points) READ the syllabus- Content and Policy. What is your name? Write it clearly. What is the day of the final? READ the slides and notes on Secret Sharing.
2. (30 points) Let  $1 \leq t \leq L$ . Show that there CANNOT be a  $(t, L)$  VSS scheme if all the players are all powerful and they want information-theoretic security. The players shares can be of any finite length. (WARNING- DO NOT prove that the VSS scheme WE gave in class would not work. You need to show that NO VSS scheme works.)
3. (30 points)
  - (a) (20 points) In class we showed how to use the Paillier Public Key Crypto System and Secret Sharing to hold an election where there are TWO candidates. Find a way to hold an election with THREE candidates and  $V$  voters. You are GIVEN  $V$  and need to put conditions on  $N$  so that your scheme works.
  - (b) (10 points) If 1,000,000 people want to vote then how large does  $N$  have to be?
4. (20 points) Zelda wants to do  $(3, 3)$  secret sharing with polynomials. The secret is 1001 which is 9 in base 2, so she uses mod 11. Zelda picks out  $r_2 = 3$  and  $r_1 = 7$ . What shares does she give out? Give the ACTUAL NUMBER, do not just say, for example  $f(1)$ . (NOTE- this was an issue on the midterm when some people for Diffie Helman wrote that Alice sends  $2^4 \pmod{11}$ . I am asking this question now so that you DO NOT make the same MISTAKE on the FINAL.)
5. (20 points) In the last problem Zelda had secret 9 and used mod 11. The players DO know the length of the secret (that is not considered a leak of info). The players DO know that they work mod 11. Does the choice of 11 leak any information? Explain your answer.