

Exploring post-quantum cryptographic algorithms in Cryptol

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 - Tested the Cryptol prelude;
 - Tested the `:sat`, `:check` and `:prove` commands.

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- Matrix addition commutativity;
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- Matrix addition identity element;
- Matrix multiplication associativity;
- Matrix multiplication right distributivity;
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- Matrix multiplication zero element;
- Matrix modulo operation results on a new matrix where every element is lower than the modulo and greater than zero;
- Applying the inverse of a function after the original function results in the original input.

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If quantum computers prove successful, and are able to scale sufficiently to apply Shor's algorithm to factoring products of large primes, then the public key cryptosystems that rely on the difficulty of such problems will effectively be broken. This project would involve getting familiar with, and implementing in Cryptol, any of a variety of algorithms that would be secure in a post-quantum future. For references, see the wikipedia articles on "Post-quantum cryptography", "Lattice-based cryptography," "Multivariate cryptography," or explore other public key cryptosystems that meet this requirement. The completed project would be an analysis of what makes a cryptographic algorithm "quantum safe", as well as the implementation in Cryptol.

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Thank you for your attention

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