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A Public Key Encryption Algorithm

Based on RSA

- RSA encryption algorithm invented in 1977 by Ron Rivest, Adi Shamir and Leonard Adleman
- RSA is the most popular public key encryption algorithm today
- RSA and Q'loQ encrypt and sign the same way

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- Invented in 2019
- Reference implementation in Python
- Based on the idea of the Klingon cloaking device

Governing Principles

- Base
- Cloak
- Key generation

Base

- First generate 2 primes of equal size and let them be P and Q and let them not be equal.
- Establish a totient with the product of P -1 and Q -1

Cloak

- Take the result of P modulo 2 and call it C.
 Then take the result of Q modulo 2 and call it K.
- Establish a modulus N using the following formula ((P / 2) * (Q / 2)) + C + K = N

Public Key Generation

 Next find a number between 1 and the totient T where the number and T are coprime and call it PK. This becomes the public key.

Private Key Generation

 Find the multiplicative inverse of the public key PK and the totient T and call it SK, the secret key.

Encryption/Decryption

- Encryption is achieved by taking the plain text and raising it to the power of the public key modulo N
- Decryption is achieved by taking the cipher text and raising it to the power of the private key modulo N

Cryptanalysis

- One solves Q'loQ ciphers by finding P and Q, recontructing the totient and finding the inverse of the totient and the public key
- In RSA one can normally take the modulus modulo some number and when P or Q is encountered a zero should be the result. Q'loQ's cloak defies this and P and Q against the modulus will result in an arbitrary number

Open Question/Problem

How to identify P and Q?