# CCA-Secure PRE Scheme without Public Verifiability

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**Abstract.** In a proxy re-encryption (PRE) scheme, a semi-trusted proxy can transform a ciphertext under Alice's public key into another ciphertext that Bob can decrypt. However, the proxy cannot access the plaintext. Due to its transformation property, PRE can be used in many applications, such as encrypted email forwarding. *All* the existing CCA-secure PRE schemes have a crucial property: the public verifiability of the original ciphertext, i.e., everyone can check the validity of the original ciphertext. In this paper, we propose a novel CCA-secure PRE scheme *without* public verifiability. This proposal is proven-secure based on the DDH assumption in the standard model. To the best of our knowledge, our proposal is the *first* CCA-secure unidirectional PRE scheme without pairings in the standard model, which answers an open problem in the PRE field.

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### 1 Introduction

Proxy re-encryption (PRE), introduced by Blaze, Bleumer and Strauss at EUROCRYPT 1998 [4], allows a semi-trusted proxy, with some additional information (a.k.a., re-encryption key), to transform a ciphertext under Alice's public key into a new ciphertext under Bob's public key on the same message. However, the proxy cannot learn any information about the messages encrypted under the public key of either Alice or Bob.

Generally speaking, there are two main methods to classify PRE schemes. One method is according to the direction of transformation. If the re-encryption key allows the proxy to transform from Alice to Bob, and vice versa, the PRE scheme is bidirectional; otherwise, it is unidirectional. The other method is according to the times of transformation. If the ciphertext can be transformed from Alice to Bob, and then from Bob to Charlie, and so on, the PRE scheme is multi-use; otherwise, it is single-use.

Due to its specific transformation property, PRE can be used in many applications, including simplification of key distribution [4], distributed file systems [2,3], security in publish/subscribe systems [17], multicast [8], secure certified email mailing lists [18,16], interoperable architecture of DRM [26], access control [27], and privacy for public transportation [15]. We refer the reader to [1] for the full list.

Since the concept of PRE was proposed, many PRE schemes have been presented. The first (bidirectional) PRE scheme was proposed by Blaze *et al.* [4] based on ElGamal public key encryption [12]. However, their scheme suffers from collusion attacks, i.e., Alice (Bob) can collude with the proxy to reveal Bob's (Alice's) secret key. To resist the collusion attack, Ateniese *et al.* [2,3]

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proposed several unidirectional PRE schemes by using pairings. Recently, Gentry [13] proposed a novel unidirectional PRE scheme based on homomorphic encryption.

Nevertheless, the above PRE schemes are only CPA-secure, while many PRE applications requires CCA-secure PRE [7]. There are two kinds of CCA-secure PRE schemes: with pairings and without pairings.

By using pairings and the CHK paradigm [6], Canetti and Hohenberger [7] proposed the first CCA-secure (bidirectional) PRE scheme in the standard model. However, their scheme suffers from collusion attacks. Furthermore, they didn't propose any CCA-secure unidirectional PRE scheme, but left it as an open problem. Note that a bidirectional scheme can always be implemented by a unidirectional one with two directions, while the converse is unknown. Based on Canetti-Hohenberger technique, Libert and Vergnaud [21] proposed a new unidirectional PRE scheme which is replayable chosen ciphertext attack (RCCA) secure and collusion resistant in the standard model. Note that RCCA security is weaker than CCA security, since it disallows the adversary to query the decryption oracle with the ciphertext whose corresponding message is one of the challenge messages in the RCCA security model [21], while only the derivatives<sup>1</sup> of the challenge ciphertext are disallowed in the CCA security model [7]. See the details in Remark 2 (Section 3). Recently, Weng et al. [28] and Shao et al. [24] proposed CCA-secure and collusion-resistant unidirectional PRE schemes by improving Libert and Vergnaud's construction.

Due to the heavy cost of pairing computation, it is desired to design CCA-secure PRE schemes without pairings. Shao and Cao [23], and Chow et al. [9] proposed CCA-secure and collusion-resistant unidirectional PRE schemes without pairings. However, their schemes are only proven-secure in the random oracle model. Most recently, Matsuda et al. [22] proposed a new CCA-secure (bidirectional) PRE scheme, which is proven-secure in the standard model but without pairings. However, it suffers from the collusion attack. Furthermore, Weng and Zhao [29] pointed out that Matsuda et al.'s scheme is not CCA-secure, but did not give any improvement.

Although the concept of PRE was proposed in 1998, designing a unidirectional PRE scheme without pairings but proven-secure in the standard model is still an open problem in the PRE field.

All the above CCA-secure PRE schemes have a crucial property: public verifiability of the original ciphertext, which prevents the proxy from acting as an oracle. However, this property is the obstacle to obtain PRE without pairings but proven-secure in the standard model. In this paper, we propose the *first* such PRE scheme by removing the public verifiability. Note that we only focus on the single-use, unidirectional PRE in this paper.

We put the previous CCA-secure PRE schemes in chronological order in Table 1.

	CH07[7]	SC09[23]	$WCY^{+}10[28]$	$CWY^{+}10[9]$	SCL10[24]	MNT10[22]	Ours
Unidirectional	×	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	<b>√</b>
Standard Model	$\checkmark$	X	$\checkmark$	×	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Without Pairings	X	$\checkmark$	×	$\checkmark$	×	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Without Public Verifiability	X	X	×	×	×	×	$\checkmark$

**Table 1.** Comparison between CCA-secure PRE schemes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See the definition in Section 3.1.

# 2 Organization

In the rest of this paper, we first review the definitions for single-use unidirectional PRE. After that, we present our proposal and give its security proof in the standard model. In what follows, we give the comparison between our proposal and the scheme in [28]<sup>2</sup> in terms of computational cost and ciphertext length. Finally, the conclusion is given.

#### 3 Preliminaries

In this section, we review some basic knowledge of PRE.

### 3.1 Definitions for Single-Use Unidirectional PRE

The similar definitions can be found in [2,3,14,7,23].

**Definition 1** (Single-Use Unidirectional PRE). A single-use unidirectional proxy re-encryption scheme SUPRE is a tuple of PPT algorithms (KeyGen, ReKeyGen, Enc., ReEnc., Dec.):

- $KeyGen(1^k) \rightarrow (pk, sk)$ . On input the security parameter  $1^k$ , the key generation algorithm KeyGen outputs a public key pk and a secret key sk.
- $ReKeyGen(sk_1, pk_2) \rightarrow rk_{1,2}$ . On input a secret key  $sk_1$  and a public key  $pk_2$ , the re-encryption key generation algorithm ReKeyGen outputs a unidirectional re-encryption key  $rk_{1,2}$ .<sup>3</sup>
- $Enc(pk, m) \rightarrow C$ . On input a public key pk and a message m in the message space, the encryption algorithm Enc outputs a ciphertext C.
- $ReEnc(rk_{1,2}, C_1) \rightarrow C_2$ . On input a re-encryption key  $rk_{1,2}$  and a ciphertext  $C_1$ , the re-encryption algorithm ReEnc outputs a re-encrypted ciphertext  $C_2$  or a special symbol reject.
- $Dec(sk, C) \rightarrow m$ . On input a secret key sk and a ciphertext C, the decryption algorithm Dec outputs a message m in the message space or a special symbol reject.

**Correctness.** The correctness property has two requirements. For any message m in the message space and any key pairs  $(pk, sk), (pk', sk') \leftarrow \text{KeyGen}(1^k)$ . Then the following two conditions must hold:

$$Dec(sk, Enc(pk, m)) = m,$$
  
 $Dec(sk', ReEnc(ReKeyGen(sk, pk'), C)) = m,$ 

where C is the ciphertext for message m under pk from algorithm Enc.

Remark 1 (Two types of ciphertexts). In almost all the existing unidirectional proxy re-encryption schemes<sup>4</sup>, there are two types of ciphertexts. One is the *first-level* ciphertext, which could be generated from ReEnc (or Enc)<sup>5</sup>; the other is the *second-level* ciphertext, which is generated only from Enc. In this paper, we call the first-level ciphertext and second-level ciphertext as the *re-encrypted* ciphertext and *original* ciphertext, respectively.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The scheme in [28] is more efficient than the scheme in [24].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> There are two kinds of ReKeyGen. If the delegatee is involved in ReKeyGen, then it is interactive; otherwise, it is non-interactive. In this paper, we only consider the non-interactive ReKeyGen.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The except one is the scheme proposed by Gentry [13].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The first-level ciphertext is computed only from ReEnc in some PRE schemes, such as [21], while it can also be computed from Enc in other PRE schemes, such as [23].

### 3.2 Security Notions for SUPRE

Chosen Ciphertext Security for the Original Ciphertext of SUPRE. The CCA security for the original ciphertext of SUPRE is defined by the following CCA-O game played between a challenger  $\mathcal{C}$  and an adversary  $\mathcal{A}$ . Note that we work in the static corruption model, where the adversary must decide the corrupted users before the game starts. Furthermore, we assume that the public keys input into the oracles by the adversary are all from  $\mathcal{O}_{pk}$ .

Setup: The challenger sets up the system parameters.

**Phase 1:** The adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  issues queries  $q_1, \dots, q_{n_1}$  adaptively, where query  $q_i$  is one of:

- Public key generation oracle  $\mathcal{O}_{pk}$ : On input an index i, the challenger takes a security parameter k, and responds by running algorithm  $\text{KeyGen}(1^k)$  to generate a key pair  $(pk_i, sk_i)$ , gives  $pk_i$  to  $\mathcal{A}$  and records  $(pk_i, sk_i)$  in the table  $T_K$ .
- Secret key generation oracle  $\mathcal{O}_{sk}$ : On input  $pk_i$  by  $\mathcal{A}$ , where  $pk_i$  is from  $\mathcal{O}_{pk}$ , if  $pk_i$  is corrupted, the challenger searches  $pk_i$  in the table  $T_K$  and returns  $sk_i$ ; otherwise, the challenger returns reject.
- Re-encryption key generation oracle  $\mathcal{O}_{rk}$ : On input  $(pk_i, pk_j)$  by  $\mathcal{A}$ , where  $pk_i$ ,  $pk_j$  are from  $\mathcal{O}_{pk}$ , the challenger returns the re-encryption key  $rk_{i,j} = \text{ReKeyGen}(sk_i, pk_j)$ , where  $sk_i$  is the secret key corresponding to  $pk_i$ . Note that  $pk_i$  should be uncorrupted. For the case that  $pk_i$  is corrupted, the adversary can compute the re-encryption key by itself.
- Re-encryption oracle  $\mathcal{O}_{re}$ : On input  $(pk_i, pk_j, C)$  by  $\mathcal{A}$ , where  $pk_i$ ,  $pk_j$  are from  $\mathcal{O}_{pk}$ , the challenger returns the re-encrypted ciphertext  $C' = \text{ReEnc}(\text{ReKeyGen}(sk_i, pk_j), C)$ , where  $sk_i$  is the secret key corresponding to  $pk_i$ . Note that  $pk_i$  should be uncorrupted. For the case that  $pk_i$  is corrupted, the adversary can compute the re-encrypted ciphertext by itself.
- Decryption oracle  $\mathcal{O}_{dec}$ : On input  $(pk_i, C_i)$ , where  $pk_i$  is from  $\mathcal{O}_{pk}$ , the challenger returns  $\text{Dec}(sk_i, C_i)$ , where  $sk_i$  is the secret key corresponding to  $pk_i$ . Note that  $pk_i$  should be uncorrupted. For the case that  $pk_i$  is corrupted, the adversary can decrypt the ciphertext by itself.

Challenge: Once  $\mathcal{A}$  decides that Phase 1 is over, it outputs two equal length plaintexts  $m_0$ ,  $m_1$  from the message space, and a public key  $pk^*$  on which it wishes to challenge. There are two restrictions on the public key  $pk^*$ : (i)  $pk^*$  is an uncorrupted public key; (ii) if  $(pk^*, \bigstar)$  did appear in any query to  $\mathcal{O}_{rk}$ , then  $\bigstar$  should be uncorrupted. The challenger picks a random bit  $\mathbf{b} \in \{0,1\}$  and sets  $C^* = \text{Enc}(pk^*, m_{\mathbf{b}})$ . It sends  $C^*$  as the challenge to  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Phase 2:** The adversary A issues more queries  $q_{n_1+1}, \dots, q_n$  adaptively, where query  $q_i$  is one of:

- $-\mathcal{O}_{pk}$ ,  $\mathcal{O}_{sk}$ : The challenger responds as in Phase 1.
- $\mathcal{O}_{rk}$ : On input  $(pk_i, pk_j)$  by  $\mathcal{A}$ , if  $pk_i = pk^*$ , and  $pk_j$  is corrupted, the challenger outputs reject; otherwise, the challenger responds as in Phase 1.
- $\mathcal{O}_{re}$ : On input  $(pk_i, pk_j, C_i)$  by  $\mathcal{A}$ , if  $(pk_i, C_i) = (pk^*, C^*)$  and  $pk_j$  is corrupted, the challenger outputs reject; otherwise, the challenger outputs reject.
- $\mathcal{O}_{dec}$ : On input  $(pk_i, C_i)$ , if  $(pk_i, C_i)$  is a derivative of  $(pk^*, C^*)$ , the challenger outputs reject; otherwise, the challenger responds as in Phase 1.

**Guess:** Finally, the adversary A outputs a guess  $\mathbf{b}' \in \{0,1\}$  and wins the game if  $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}'$ .

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> This index is just used to distinguish the different public keys.

We refer to such an adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  as a CCA-O adversary. We define adversary  $\mathcal{A}$ 's advantage in attacking SUPRE as the following function of the security parameter k:

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathtt{SUPRE}}^{\mathtt{CCA-O}}(k) = |\Pr[\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}'] - 1/2|.$$

Using the CCA-O game, we can define CCA-O security of SUPRE.

**Definition 2 (CCA-O Security).** We say that a single-use, unidirectional proxy re-encryption scheme SUPRE is semantically secure against an adaptive chosen ciphertext attack for the original ciphertext if for any polynomial time CCA-O adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  the function  $\mathbf{Adv}^{\text{CCA-O}}_{\text{SUPRE}}(k)$  is negligible. As shorthand, we say that PRE is CCA-O-secure.

Remark 2. Derivatives of  $(pk^*, C^*)$  is adapted from that in [7]:

- 1.  $(pk^*, C^*)$  is a derivative of itself.
- 2. If  $\mathcal{A}$  has queried  $\mathcal{O}_{re}$  on input (pk, pk', C) and obtained (pk', C'), then (pk', C') is a derivative of (pk, C).
- 3. If  $\mathcal{A}$  has queried  $\mathcal{O}_{rk}$  on input (pk, pk'), and  $C' = \text{ReEnc}(\mathcal{O}_{re}(pk, pk'), C)$ , then (pk', C') is a derivative of (pk, C).

From the above, we know that if a re-encrypted ciphertext is not obtained directly by ReEnc or  $\mathcal{O}_{re}$ , then this ciphertext cannot be a derivative of any ciphertext. Hence, if C'' = F(C'), where F is a transformation function which makes  $C'' \neq C'$  and Dec(C'', pk) = Dec(C', pk), and  $C' = \mathcal{O}_{re}(pk^*, pk', C^*)$ , then C'' is not a derivative of  $(pk^*, C^*)$ .

However, according to the definition of the derivative of  $(pk^*, C^*)$  for the RCCA security [21], the above C'' is a derivative of  $(pk^*, C^*)$ . Because the derivative of  $(pk^*, C^*)$  in [21] is defined as: if the message of a re-encrypted ciphertext is one of the challenge messages, then this re-encrypted ciphertext is a derivative of  $(pk^*, C^*)$ .

Chosen Ciphertext Security for the Re-encrypted Ciphertext of SUPRE. The CCA-R security of SUPRE is defined by the same method of the CCA-O security.

Phase 1, Guess: Identical to that in CCA-O game.

Challenge: Once the adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  decides that Phase 1 is over, it outputs two equal length plaintexts  $m_0$ ,  $m_1$  from the message space, and two public key pk,  $pk^*$  on which it wishes to challenge. The public key  $pk^*$  should be uncorrupted. The challenger picks a random bit  $\mathbf{b} \in \{0,1\}$  and sets  $C^* = \text{ReEnc}(rk, \text{Enc}(pk, m_{\mathbf{b}}))$ , where rk is a re-encryption key from pk to  $pk^*$ . It sends  $C^*$  as the challenge to  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**Phase 2:** The adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  issues more queries  $q_{n_1+1}, \dots, q_n$  adaptively, where query  $q_i$  is one of:  $-\mathcal{O}_{pk}, \mathcal{O}_{sk}, \mathcal{O}_{rk}, \mathcal{O}_{re}$ : The challenger responds as in Phase 1.

-  $\mathcal{O}_{dec}$ : On input  $(pk_i, C_i)$ , if  $(pk_i, C_i) = (pk^*, C^*)$ , the challenger outputs reject; otherwise, the challenger responds as in Phase 1.

We refer to such an adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  as a CCA-R adversary. We define adversary  $\mathcal{A}$ 's advantage in attacking SUPRE as the following function of the security parameter k:

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathtt{SUPRE}}^{\mathtt{CCA-R}}(k) = |\Pr[\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}'] - 1/2|.$$

Using the CCA-R game, we can define CCA-R security of SUPRE.

**Definition 3 (CCA-R Security).** We say that a single-use, unidirectional proxy re-encryption scheme SUPRE is semantically secure against an adaptive chosen ciphertext attack for the re-encrypted ciphertext if for any polynomial time CCA-R adversary A the function  $\mathbf{Adv}_{SUPRE}^{CCA-R}(k)$  is negligible. As shorthand, we say that PRE is CCA-R-secure.

Remark 3. In [2,3], the authors proposed another security notion for single-use unidirectional PRE, named collusion resistance. This security notion guarantees that the delegatee and the proxy cannot collude to get the secret key of the delegator. As mentioned in [21], the security of collusion resistance is implied by the CCA-R security. Hence, we omit the part related to collusion resistance.

# 4 Scheme $\prod_{sm}$ in the Standard Model

#### 4.1 Intuition Behind the Construction

The idea behind the construction of scheme  $\prod_{sm}$  begins with Cramer-Shoup public key encryption [10,11], which is proven CCA-secure in the standard model. Recall Cramer-Shoup scheme. Its private key contains two parts. One is used for ciphertexts' validity test:  $(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2)$ , called verification key; the other is used for decryption: z, called decryption key. The corresponding public key is  $(g_1, g_2, c = g_1^{x_1} g_2^{x_2}, d = g_1^{y_1} g_2^{y_2}, h = g_1^z)$ , where  $g_1, g_2$  are generators of the underlying group. The ciphertext is  $(u_1 = g_1^r, u_2 = g_2^r, e = h^r m, v = c^r d^{r\alpha})$ , where r is a random number,  $\alpha = H(u_1, u_2, e)$ , and H is a target collision resistant hash function. Before computing m, the decryptor first checks the equation  $v = u_1^{x_1 + y_1 \alpha} u_2^{x_2 + y_2 \alpha}$ . If it holds, the decryptor computes  $m = e/u_1^z$ ; otherwise, the decryptor outputs reject.

Obtain CCA Security. As mentioned in [14,7], it is crucial for designing a CCA-secure PRE scheme that the malicious delegatee cannot gain any advantage by using the proxy as an oracle. To the best of our knowledge, all the existing CCA-secure PRE schemes have the public verifiability of the original ciphertext to obtain this property. However, Cramer-Shoup scheme does not have such property. To overcome this obstacle, we let the malicious delegatee generate a random value if the original ciphertext is invalid; the message m otherwise. Inspired by [5,25], our solution is as follows: (i) the private key of the delegator is shared between the proxy and the delegatee; (ii) the proxy computes  $\hat{e} = e/u_1^{\hat{i}} \cdot (u_1^{\hat{i}_1 + \hat{y}_1 \alpha} u_2^{\hat{x}_2 + \hat{y}_2 \alpha}/v)^{\hat{r}}$ ,  $\hat{u}_1 = u_1^{\hat{r}}$ , and  $\hat{u}_2 = u_2^{\hat{r}}$ , which are included in the resulting re-encrypted ciphertext; (iii) the delegatee gets m from  $m = \hat{e}/u_1^{\check{z}} \cdot (\hat{u}_1^{\check{x}_1 + \check{y}_1 \alpha} \hat{u}_2^{\check{x}_2 + \check{y}_2 \alpha})$ ; where  $\hat{r}$  is a random number chosen by the proxy,  $\hat{x}_1 + \check{x}_1 = x_1$ ,  $\hat{x}_2 + \check{x}_2 = x_2$ ,  $\hat{y}_1 + \check{y}_1 = y_1$ ,  $\hat{y}_2 + \check{y}_2 = y_2$ ,  $\hat{z} + \check{z} = z$ , and  $(\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2, \hat{y}_1, \hat{y}_2, \hat{z})$  and  $(\check{x}_1, \check{x}_2, \check{y}_1, \check{y}_2, \check{z})$  are the shares of the delegator's private key shared by the proxy and the delegatee, respectively. Clearly, if the original ciphertext is invalid, the delegatee would get a random m (since  $(u_1^{x_1+y_1\alpha}u_2^{x_2+y_2\alpha}/v)^{\hat{r}} \neq 1$ ); otherwise, the delegatee can get the message m.

Nevertheless, in order to let the delegatee compute  $\alpha$ , the re-encrypted ciphertext should also contain  $(u_1, u_2, e)$ , which causes the above construction not CCA-R-secure. Since another delegatee and his/her corresponding proxy can collude to get the message m from  $(u_1, u_2, e)$  in the re-encrypted ciphertext, which breaks the CCA-R security. We follow the method in [24]: Encrypt  $(u_1, u_2, e)$  by using the delegatee's public key (which is different from the public key used for encrypting messages. If not, the delegator and proxy can still get  $(u_1, u_2, e)$  by using the transformation property of PRE).

**Obtain Non-Interactivity.** Unfortunately, the above construction is lack of one important property: non-interactivity. In the above construction, the private key of the delegator is shared between the proxy and the delegatee. This process is interactive.

To obtain the non-interactivity, we adopt the method in [14]. That is,  $(\check{x}_1, \check{x}_2, \check{y}_1, \check{y}_2, \check{z})$  is not sent to the delegatee directly, but it is encrypted by the delegatee's public key. The resulting ciphertext is sent to the proxy, who later forwards it to the delegatee with the re-encrypted ciphertext. It is required that the public key used to encrypt  $(\check{x}_1, \check{x}_2, \check{y}_1, \check{y}_2, \check{z})$  is different from the one used to encrypt messages; otherwise, the delegatee's delegatees and proxies can get  $(\check{x}_1, \check{x}_2, \check{y}_1, \check{y}_2, \check{z})$  and then the message m, which is not allowed in single-use PRE.

Reduce the Size of the Secret. It is easy to see that the delegatee and the proxy can collude to get the decryption key z, hence the required two different public keys should be corresponding to two different private keys. It means that the user in our PRE scheme have to maintain much more secrets than the one in Cramer-Shoup scheme.

To solve the problem, we use the following method. For the decryption key z, we find that there is a pseudo decryption key  $(z_1, z_2)$  in the security proof of Cramer-Shoup scheme, where  $(z_1, z_2)$  can be used to decrypt  $(u_1, u_2, e, u)$  and  $g_1^z = g_1^{z_1} g_2^{z_2}$ . According to the security proof of Cramer-Shoup scheme, knowing  $(z_1, z_2)$  won't hurt the secrecy of z. Hence, the delegator can share  $(z_1, z_2)$  instead of z between the delegatee and the proxy, while the resulting PRE scheme can still work. On the other hand,  $(z_1, z_2)$  cannot be used to decrypt the ciphertext computed by another public key  $(g_1, \bar{g}_2, \bar{c}, \bar{d}, h)$ .

For the verification key  $(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2)$ , we let them be computed from the verification key corresponding to  $(g_1, \bar{g}_2, \bar{c}, \bar{d}, h)$  by some hash function. Due the properties of the hash function, knowing  $(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2)$  do not hurt the secrecy of the verification key corresponding to  $(g_1, \bar{g}_2, \bar{c}, \bar{d}, h)$ .

As a result, the secret of the user in our PRE scheme only includes  $(z_1, z_2, z)$  and the verification key corresponding to  $(g_1, \bar{g}_2, \bar{c}, \bar{d}, h)$ .

Combining the above ideas, we obtain scheme  $\prod_{sm}$ , which is depicted in the next subsection. Note that in our proposal, we do not use the original Cramer-Shoup scheme, but the hashed version.

# 4.2 The Construction of Scheme $\prod_{sm}$

The system parameters are  $(q, g_1, G, F, \check{F}, \mathbf{F}, \bar{H}, H)$ . G is a finite cyclic group with prime order  $q, g_1$  is generators of G.  $F, \check{F}, \mathbf{F}$  are cryptographically secure pseudorandom number generator (PRNG),  $F: G \to G$ ,  $\check{F}: G \to Z_q^{*6}$ ,  $\mathbf{F}: G \to G^8 \times Z_q^{*6} \times G$ ,  $\bar{H}, H$  are target collision resistant hash functions  $\bar{H}: Z_q^* \to Z_q^*$ , and  $H: \{0,1\}^* \to Z_q^*$ . The details of our proposal  $\prod_{sm}$  are as follows.

KeyGen: Select random

$$x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2, z_1, z_2, \beta_1, \beta_2, \in Z_q^*,$$

Next, compute

$$\begin{array}{ll} g_2 = g_1^{\beta_1}, & \bar{g}_2 = g_2^{\beta_2} = g_1^{\beta_1\beta_2}, \\ c = g_1^{\bar{H}(x_1)} g_2^{\bar{H}(x_2)}, & d = g_1^{\bar{H}(y_1)} g_2^{\bar{H}(y_2)}, & h = g_1^z = g_1^{z_1} g_2^{z_2}, \\ \bar{c} = g_1^{x_1} \bar{g}_2^{x_2}, & \bar{d} = g_1^{y_1} \bar{g}_2^{y_2}. \end{array}$$

The public key is  $pk = (g_2, \bar{g}_2, c, d, h, \bar{c}, \bar{d})$ , and the private key is  $sk = (x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2, z_1, z_2, z)$ . Note that  $h = g_1^{z_1} \bar{g}_2^{z_2/\beta_2}$ , and  $z = z_1 + \beta_1 \cdot z_2 \mod q$ .

**ReKeyGen:** On input a public key  $pk' = (g'_2, \bar{g}'_2, c', d', h', \bar{c}', \bar{d}')$  and a secret key  $sk = (x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2, d', h', \bar{c}', \bar{d}')$  $(z_1, z_2, z)$ , output a unidirectional re-encryption key  $rk = (rk^{(1)}, rk^{(2)}, rk^{(3)})$ , which is computed as follows.

– Choose random  $(\hat{x}_1, \breve{x}_1, \hat{x}_2, \breve{x}_2, \hat{y}_1, \breve{y}_1, \hat{y}_2, \breve{y}_2, \hat{z}_1, \breve{z}_1, \hat{z}_2, \breve{z}_2)$  from  $Z_q^*$ , such that

$$\bar{H}(x_1) = \hat{x}_1 + \breve{x}_1, \quad \bar{H}(x_2) = \hat{x}_2 + \breve{x}_2,$$
  
 $\bar{H}(y_1) = \hat{y}_1 + \breve{y}_1, \quad \bar{H}(y_2) = \hat{y}_2 + \breve{y}_2,$   
 $z_1 = \hat{z}_1 + \breve{z}_1, \qquad z_2 = \hat{z}_2 + \breve{z}_2.$ 

- Set  $rk^{(1)} = (\hat{x}_1, \hat{x}_2, \hat{y}_1, \hat{y}_2, \hat{z}_1, \hat{z}_2).$
- Choose random  $\check{r}$  from  $Z_q^*$ .
- $\operatorname{Set} \triangle = \breve{x}_1 || \breve{x}_2 || \breve{y}_1 || \breve{y}_2 || \breve{z}_1 || \breve{z}_2.$
- Compute

$$\begin{split} & \breve{u}_1 = g_1^{\breve{r}}, & \breve{u}_2 = (\bar{g}_2')^{\breve{r}}, \\ & \breve{e} = \breve{F}(h'^{\breve{r}}) \oplus \triangle, & \breve{\alpha} = H(\breve{u}_1||\breve{u}_2||\breve{e}), \\ & \breve{v} = \vec{c}'^{\breve{r}} \bar{d}^{\breve{r}\breve{\alpha}}. \end{split}$$

The above process is almost the same as the encryption of Cramer-Shoup scheme with public key  $(g_1, \bar{g}'_2, \bar{c}', \bar{d}', h')$ , except that  $\check{e}$  is computed by  $\check{F}(h'^{\check{r}}) \oplus m$  instead of  $h'^{\check{r}} \cdot m$  due to the different message spaces.

- Set  $rk^{(2)} = (\breve{u}_1, \breve{u}_2, \breve{e}, \breve{v}).$

- Set  $rk^{(3)} = (S_1, S_2, S_3, S_4) = (\bar{g}'_2, \bar{c}', \bar{d}', h')$ . Enc: On input  $pk = (g_2, \bar{g}_2, c, d, h, \bar{c}, \bar{d})$  and a message  $m \in G$ , do the following steps.

- Choose random r from  $Z_q^*$ .
- Compute

$$u_1 = g_1^r,$$
  $u_2 = g_2^r,$   
 $e = F(h^r) \cdot m,$   $\alpha = H(u_1||u_2||e),$   
 $v = e^r d^{r\alpha}.$ 

The above process is almost the same as the encryption of Cramer-Shoup scheme with public key  $(g_1, g_2, c, d, h)$ , except that e is computed by  $F(h^r) \cdot m$  instead of  $h^r \cdot m$ .

- Output  $C = (u_1, u_2, e, v)$  as the original ciphertext.

**ReEnc:** On input a re-encryption key rk and an original ciphertext  $C = (u_1, u_2, e, v)$  under key  $pk = (g_2, \bar{g}_2, c, d, h, \bar{c}, \bar{d}),$  do the following steps.

- Choose random  $\hat{r}$ , **r** from  $Z_q^*$ .
- Compute

$$\hat{u}_1 = u_1^{\hat{r}}, \ \hat{u}_2 = u_2^{\hat{r}}$$

$$\hat{e} = \left(\frac{u_1^{\hat{x}_1 + \hat{y}_1 \alpha} u_2^{\hat{x}_2 + \hat{y}_2 \alpha}}{v}\right)^{\hat{r}} \cdot u_1^{\hat{z}_1} u_2^{\hat{z}_2}$$

- Set  $\nabla = u_1 ||u_2||e||\hat{u}_1||\hat{u}_2||\hat{e}||\breve{u}_1||\breve{u}_2||\breve{e}||\breve{v}$ .
- Compute

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u}_1 &= g_1^{\mathbf{r}}, & \mathbf{u}_2 &= S_1^{\mathbf{r}}, \\ \mathbf{e} &= \mathbf{F}(S_1^{\mathbf{r}}) \oplus \nabla, & \hat{\alpha} &= H(\mathbf{u}_1||\mathbf{u}_2||\mathbf{e}), \\ \mathbf{v} &= S_2^{\mathbf{r}} S_3^{\mathbf{r}\hat{\alpha}}. & \end{aligned}$$

The above process is almost the same as the encryption of Cramer-Shoup scheme with public key  $(g_1, \bar{g}'_2, \bar{c}', \bar{d}', h')$ , except that **e** is computed by  $\mathbf{F}(h'^{\mathbf{r}}) \oplus m$  instead of  $h'^{\mathbf{r}} \cdot m$  due to the different message spaces.

- Output  $\mathbf{C} = (\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{v})$  as the re-encrypted ciphertext.

Dec: On input a private key and any ciphertext C, parse C,

Case  $C = (u_1, u_2, e, v)$ : In this case, the private key is  $(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2, z_1, z_2, z)$ .

- 1. Compute  $\alpha = H(u_1||u_2||e)$ .
- 2. If  $v = u_1^{\bar{H}(x_1) + \bar{H}(y_1)\alpha} u_2^{\bar{H}(x_2) + \bar{H}(y_2)\alpha}$  holds,  $u_1, u_2, e$  belong to G, then output  $m = e/F(u_1^z)$ ; otherwise output reject.

Case  $C = (\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{v})$ : In this case, the private key is  $(x_1', x_2', y_1', y_2', z_1', z_2', z_1')$ .

- 1. Compute  $\hat{\alpha} = H(\mathbf{u}_1||\mathbf{u}_2||\mathbf{e})$ .
- 2. If  $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u}_1^{x_1' + y_1'\hat{\alpha}} \mathbf{u}_2^{x_2' + y_2'\hat{\alpha}}$  and  $\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2$  belong to G, then compute  $\nabla = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{u}_1^{z'}) \oplus \mathbf{e}$  and do the next steps; otherwise, output reject and halt.
- 3. Parse  $\nabla$  to  $u_1||u_2||e||\hat{u}_1||\hat{u}_2||\hat{e}||\check{u}_1||\check{u}_2||\check{e}||\check{u}_1||\check{u}_2||\check{e}||\check{v} \in G^8 \times Z_q^{*6} \times G$ .
- 4. Compute  $\breve{\alpha} = H(\breve{u}_1||\breve{u}_2||\breve{e})$ .
- 5. If  $\check{v} = \check{u}_1^{x_1' + y_1'\check{\alpha}} \check{u}_2^{x_2' + y_2'\check{\alpha}}$  and  $\check{u}_1, \check{u}_2$  belong to G, then compute  $\Delta = \check{F}(\check{u}_1^{z'}) \oplus \check{e}$ ; otherwise, output reject and halt.
- 6. Parse  $\Delta$  to  $\breve{x}_1||\breve{x}_2||\breve{y}_1||\breve{y}_2||\breve{z}_1||\breve{z}_2 \in Z_q^{*6}$ .
- 7. Compute  $\alpha = H(u_1||u_2||e)$ . 8. Output  $m = \frac{e}{F\left(\hat{e} \cdot \hat{u}_1^{\check{x}_1 + \check{y}_1 \alpha} \hat{u}_2^{\check{x}_2 + \check{y}_2 \alpha} \cdot u_1^{\check{z}_1} u_2^{\check{z}_2}\right)}$ .

Correctness. We only verify the correctness of Step 8 of case  $C = (u_1, u_2, e, v)$  in Dec. We can get the correctness of other steps from the correctness of Cramer-Shoup scheme.

$$\begin{split} &\hat{e}\cdot\hat{u}_{1}^{\check{x}_{1}+\check{y}_{1}\alpha}\hat{u}_{2}^{\check{x}_{2}+\check{y}_{2}\alpha}\cdot u_{1}^{\check{z}_{1}}u_{2}^{\check{z}_{2}}\\ &=\left(\frac{u_{1}^{\hat{x}_{1}+\hat{y}_{1}\alpha}u_{2}^{\hat{x}_{2}+\hat{y}_{2}\alpha}}{v}\right)^{\hat{r}}\cdot u_{1}^{\hat{z}_{1}}u_{2}^{\hat{z}_{2}}\cdot\hat{u}_{1}^{\check{x}_{1}+\check{y}_{1}\alpha}\hat{u}_{2}^{\check{x}_{2}+\check{y}_{2}\alpha}\cdot u_{1}^{\check{z}_{1}}u_{2}^{\check{z}_{2}}\\ &=\left(\frac{u_{1}^{\bar{H}(x_{1})+\bar{H}(y_{1})\alpha}u_{2}^{\bar{H}(x_{2})+\bar{H}(y_{2})\alpha}}{c^{r}d^{r\alpha}}\right)^{\hat{r}}\cdot u_{1}^{z_{1}}u_{2}^{z_{2}}\\ &=\left(\frac{u_{1}^{\bar{H}(x_{1})+\bar{H}(y_{1})\alpha}u_{2}^{\bar{H}(x_{2})+\bar{H}(y_{2})\alpha}}{\left(g_{1}^{\bar{H}(x_{1})}g_{2}^{\bar{H}(x_{2})}\right)^{r}\left(g_{1}^{\bar{H}(y_{1})}g_{2}^{\bar{H}(y_{2})}\right)^{r\alpha}}\right)^{\hat{r}}\cdot u_{1}^{z_{1}}u_{2}^{z_{2}}\\ &=u_{1}^{z}=h^{r}\end{split}$$

# The Security Analysis of Scheme $\prod_{sm}$

**Theorem 1.** Scheme  $\prod_{sm}$  is CCA-O-secure in the standard model, if the DDH assumption holds in G,  $\bar{H}$ , H are target collision-resistant, and F,  $\check{F}$ ,  $\mathbf{F}$  are PRNG. In particular

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathit{SUPRE}}^{\mathit{CCA-O}}(k) \leq \frac{14 + 5q_d + 3q_1}{q} + 3\varepsilon_{ddh} + 4\varepsilon_H^{\mathit{tcr}} + 8\varepsilon_{\bar{H}}^{\mathit{tcr}} + \varepsilon_F^{\mathit{PRNG}} + \varepsilon_{\bar{F}}^{\mathit{PRNG}} + \varepsilon_{\bar{F}}^{\mathit{PRNG}},$$

where  $\varepsilon_{ddh}$ ,  $\varepsilon_{H}^{tcr}$ ,  $\varepsilon_{ar{F}}^{tcr}$ ,  $\varepsilon_{ar{F}}^{PRNG}$ ,  $\varepsilon_{ar{F}}^{PRNG}$ , and  $\varepsilon_{f F}^{PRNG}$  are the probabilities of breaking the DDH assumption, the target collision resistance of hash functions, and the randomness of PRNG, respectively.  $q_1, q_2$  are the numbers that the adversary queries the decryption oracle in Phase 1 and Phase 2, respectively. At last,  $q_1 + q_2 = q_d$ .

*Proof.* We prove the theorem by the similar method in [11,20].

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an adversary who breaks scheme  $\prod_{sm}$  in the sense of CCA-O security. The attack game is as described in Section 3.1. Suppose that the system parameter is  $(q, g_1, G, F, \check{F}, \mathbf{F}, \bar{H}, H)$ , and we denote the values related to the challenge ciphertext as starred letters. For example, the target public key is  $(g_2^*, \bar{g}_2^*, c^*, d^*, h^*, \bar{c}^*, \bar{d}^*)$ , the corresponding secret key is  $(x_1^*, x_2^*, y_1^*, y_2^*, z_1^*, z_2^*, z^*)$ , and the challenge original ciphertext  $(u_1^*, u_2^*, e^*, v^*)$ .

We say that an original ciphertext or a re-encrypted ciphertext is valid, if  $u_1 = g_1^r$  and  $u_2 = g_2^r$  for some r; otherwise, we say that it is invalid.

Let  $\beta_1^* = \log_{g_1} g_2^*$  and  $\log_{g_1} = \log$ . Then

$$\log c^* = \bar{H}(x_1^*) + \beta_1^* \bar{H}(x_2^*) \tag{1}$$

$$\log d^* = \bar{H}(y_1^*) + \beta_1^* \bar{H}(y_2^*) \tag{2}$$

Note that we do not know the value of  $\beta_1^*$ , but know the value of  $\beta_2^*$ , where  $\bar{g}_2^* = (g_2^*)^{\beta_2^*}$ .

**Game**  $G_0$ : Let  $G_0$  be the original attack game,  $E_0$  be the event that  $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}'$  in  $G_0$ . Hence,

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathtt{SUPRE}}^{\mathtt{CCA-O}}(k) = |\Pr[E_0] - 1/2| \tag{3}$$

We shall define a sequence  $G_1, \dots, G_I$  of modified attack games. For any  $1 \le i \le I$ , we let  $E_i$  be the event that  $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}'$  in  $G_i$ .

**Game**  $G_1$ : We modify decryption oracle in game  $G_0$ , so that it applies the following special output rule: If the adversary submits a re-encrypted ciphertext  $(pk, \mathbf{C})$  with  $\log_{g_1} \mathbf{u}_1 \neq \log_{\bar{g}_2} \mathbf{u}_2$ , where  $\bar{g}_2$  is associated to pk, then it outputs reject.  $(\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{v})$  is a re-encrypted ciphertext; hence, from Theorem 2 we have that

$$|\Pr[E_1] - \Pr[E_0]| \le \frac{4 + q_d + q_1}{q} + \varepsilon_{ddh} + \varepsilon_H^{tcr} + \varepsilon_{\bar{H}}^{tcr} + \varepsilon_{\mathbf{F}}^{\mathsf{PRNG}}$$
 (4)

**Game**  $G_2$ : We modify decryption oracle in game  $G_1$ , so that it applies the following special output rule: If the adversary submits a re-encrypted ciphertext  $(pk, \mathbf{C})$  with  $\log_{g_1} \check{u}_1 \neq \log_{\bar{g}_2} \check{u}_2$ , where  $\bar{g}_2$  is associated to pk, then it outputs reject.  $(\check{u}_1, \check{u}_2, \check{e}, \check{v})$  can be considered as a re-encrypted ciphertext; hence, from Theorem 2 we have that

$$|\Pr[E_2] - \Pr[E_1]| \le \frac{4 + q_d + q_1}{q} + \varepsilon_{ddh} + \varepsilon_H^{tcr} + \varepsilon_{\tilde{H}}^{tcr} + \varepsilon_{\tilde{F}}^{PRNG}$$
 (5)

**Game**  $G_3$ : We modify Challenge phase in game  $G_2$ , so that  $v^* = (c^*)^{r^*}(d^*)^{r^*\alpha^*}$  and  $e^* = F(h^{*r^*}) \cdot m_{\mathbf{b}}$  are replaced by  $v^* = (u_1^*)^{\bar{H}(x_1^*) + \bar{H}(y_1^*)\alpha^*}(u_2^*)^{\bar{H}(x_2^*) + \bar{H}(y_2^*)\alpha^*}$  and  $e^* = F((u_1^*)^{z_1^*}(u_2^*)^{z_2^*}) \cdot m_{\mathbf{b}}$ , respectively. This change is purely conceptual, hence

$$\Pr[E_3] = \Pr[E_2] \tag{6}$$

**Game**  $G_4$ **:** We modify Challenge phase in game  $G_3$ , so that  $(u_1^*, u_2^*)$  is replaced by a random pair  $(g_1^{r_1^*}, (g_2^*)^{r_2^*})$ , where  $r_1^* \neq r_2^*$ . Under the DDH assumption,  $\mathcal{A}$  will hardly notice this change. We have the same proof as that of Lemma 6.3 in [11] for the following.

$$|\Pr[E_4] - \Pr[E_3]| \le \varepsilon_{ddh} + 3/q \tag{7}$$

**Game**  $G_5$ : We modify the decryption oracle in game  $G_4$ , so that it applies the following special rejection rule: In Phase 2, if the adversary submits an original ciphertext  $(pk^*, C)$  with  $(u_1, u_2, e) \neq (u_1^*, u_2^*, e^*)$  but  $\alpha = \alpha^*$ , then the decryption oracle immediately outputs reject. It is easy to see that game  $G_4$  and game  $G_5$  proceed identically until that the decryption oracle in  $G_5$  outputs reject by using the rule while the decryption oracle in  $G_4$  does not. We have the same proof as that of Lemma 6.5 in [11] for the following.

$$|\Pr[E_5] - \Pr[E_4]| \le \varepsilon_H^{tcr} + 1/q \tag{8}$$

**Game**  $G_6$ : We modify the re-encryption oracle in game  $G_5$ , so that it applies the following special output rule: In Phase 2, if the adversary submits an original ciphertext  $(pk^*, C)$  with  $(u_1, u_2, e) \neq (u_1^*, u_2^*, v^*)$  but  $\alpha = \alpha^*$ , then  $\hat{e}$  is replaced by a random number T from G. Similar with game  $G_5$ , we have

$$|\Pr[E_6] - \Pr[E_5]| \le \varepsilon_H^{tcr} + 1/q \tag{9}$$

**Game**  $G_7$ : We modify the decryption oracle in game  $G_6$ , so that it applies the following special output rule: In Phase 2, if the adversary submits a re-encrypted ciphertext  $(pk, \mathbf{C})$  with  $(u_1, u_2, e) \neq (u_1^*, u_2^*, v^*)$  but  $\alpha = \alpha^*$ , and the corresponding delegator is  $pk^*$ , then  $\hat{e}$  is replaced by a random number T from G. Similar with game  $G_5$ , we have

$$|\Pr[E_7] - \Pr[E_6]| \le \varepsilon_H^{tcr} + 1/q \tag{10}$$

**Game**  $G_8$ : We modify the decryption oracle in game  $G_7$ , so that it rejects all invalid original ciphertext  $(pk^*, C)$ 's in Phase 1. Let  $R_8$  be the event that  $(pk^*, C)$  is rejected in  $G_8$  that would not have been rejected in  $G_7$ . It is clear that games  $G_8$  and  $G_7$  proceed identically until the event  $R_8$  occurs. Hence, we have

$$|\Pr[E_8] - \Pr[E_7]| \le \Pr[R_8] \tag{11}$$

Lemma 1.

$$\Pr[R_8] \le \varepsilon_{\bar{H}}^{tcr} + q_1/q \tag{12}$$

Proof of Lemma 1: From  $\mathcal{A}$ 's view,  $(\bar{H}(x_1^*), \bar{H}(x_2^*), \bar{H}(y_1^*), \bar{H}(y_2^*))$  is a random point satisfying eqs.(1) and (2), since  $(x_1^*, x_2^*, y_1^*, y_2^*)$  are chosen randomly and independently, and  $\bar{H}$  is target collision-resistant. Note that  $\mathcal{A}$  cannot get  $(\bar{H}(x_1^*), \bar{H}(x_2^*), \bar{H}(y_1^*), \bar{H}(y_2^*))$  by colluding with the delegatee due to the restrictions in the CCA-O game. Suppose  $\mathcal{A}$  queries an invalid original ciphertext  $(u_1, u_2, e, v)$  to the decryption oracle, where  $\log u_1 = r_1$  and  $\log u_2 = \beta_1^* r_2$  with  $r_1 \neq r_2$ . The challenger won't reject  $(u_1, u_2, e, v)$ , unless the following equation holds

$$\log v = r_1 \bar{H}(x_1^*) + \beta_1^* r_2 \bar{H}(x_2^*) + \alpha r_1 \bar{H}(y_1^*) + \alpha r_2 \beta_1^* \bar{H}(y_2^*)$$
(13)

where  $\alpha = H(u_1, u_2, e)$ . However, it is clear that eqs.(1), (2) and (13) are linearly independent Hence, we get the lemma.

**Game**  $G_9$ : We modify the re-encryption oracle in game  $G_8$ , so that it would output a random  $\hat{e}$  from G for all invalid original ciphertext  $(pk^*, C)$ 's in Phase 1. Similar with Game  $G_8$ , we have

$$|\Pr[E_9] - \Pr[E_8]| \le \varepsilon_{\bar{H}}^{tcr} + q_1/q \tag{14}$$

**Game**  $G_{10}$ : We modify the decryption oracle in Phase 1 in game  $G_9$ , so that it would output a random m from G for all invalid re-encrypted ciphertext  $(pk, \mathbf{C})$ 's with that the corresponding delegator is  $pk^*$ . Similar with Game  $G_8$ , we have

$$|\Pr[E_{10}] - \Pr[E_9]| \le \varepsilon_{\bar{H}}^{tcr} + q_1/q \tag{15}$$

Game  $G_{11}$ : We modify Challenge phase in game  $G_{10}$ , so that  $(u_1^*, u_2^*) = (g_1^{r_1^*}, (g_2^*)^{r_2^*})$  is randomly chosen in such a way that an event  $R_{11}$  does not occur, where  $R_{11}$  is the event that  $(u_1^*, u_2^*) = (u_1, u_2)$  for some invalid ciphertext which  $\mathcal{A}$  queries in Phase 1. It is clear that  $R_{11}$  happens with  $q_1/q$  at most since  $r_1^*, r_2^*$  are chosen independently and randomly. Hence, we have

$$|\Pr[E_{11}] - \Pr[E_{10}]| \le q_1/q$$
 (16)

**Game**  $G_{12}$ : We modify the decryption oracle in game  $G_{11}$ , so that it rejects all invalid original ciphertext  $(pk^*, C)$ 's in Phase 2. Let  $R_{12}$  be the event that an original ciphertext is rejected in  $G_{12}$  that would not have been rejected under the rules of  $G_{11}$ . It is clear that games  $G_{12}$  and  $G_{11}$  proceed identically until the event  $R_{12}$  occurs. Hence, we have

$$|\Pr[E_{12}] - \Pr[E_{11}]| \le \Pr[R_{12}]$$
 (17)

Lemma 2.

$$\Pr[R_{12}] \le \varepsilon_{\bar{H}}^{tcr} + q_2/q \tag{18}$$

Proof of Lemma 2: From  $\mathcal{A}$ 's view,  $(\bar{H}(x_1^*), \bar{H}(x_2^*), \bar{H}(y_1^*), \bar{H}(y_2^*))$  is a random point satisfying eqs.(1) and (19) (2), since  $(x_1^*, x_2^*, y_1^*, y_2^*)$  are chosen randomly and independently, and  $\bar{H}$  is target collision-resistant.

$$\log v^* = r_1^* \bar{H}(x_1^*) + \beta_1^* r_2^* \bar{H}(x_2^*) + \alpha^* r_1^* \bar{H}(y_1^*) + \alpha^* r_2^* \beta_1^* \bar{H}(y_2^*)$$
(19)

Note that  $\mathcal{A}$  cannot get  $(H(x_1^*), H(x_2^*), H(y_1^*), H(y_2^*))$  by colluding with the delegatee due to the restrictions in the CCA-O game. Suppose  $\mathcal{A}$  queries an invalid ciphertext  $(u_1, u_2, e, v)$  to the decryption oracle, where  $\log u_1 = r_1$  and  $\log u_2 = \beta_1^* r_2$  with  $r_1 \neq r_2$ . The challenger won't reject  $(u_1, u_2, e, v)$ , unless eq. (13) holds. However, it is clear that eqs.(1), (2), (13) and (19) are linearly independent. Hence, we get the lemma.

**Game**  $G_{13}$ : We modify the re-encryption oracle in game  $G_{12}$ , so that it will output a random  $\hat{e}$  from G for all invalid original ciphertext  $(pk^*, C)$ 's in Phase 2. Similar with  $G_{12}$ , we have that

$$|\Pr[E_{13}] - \Pr[E_{11}]| \le \varepsilon_{\bar{H}}^{tcr} + q_2/q$$
 (20)

**Game**  $G_{14}$ : We modify the decryption oracle in Phase 2 in game  $G_{13}$ , so that it will output a random m from G for all invalid re-encrypted ciphertext  $(pk, \mathbf{C})$ 's with that the corresponding delegator is  $pk^*$ . Similar with  $G_{12}$ , we have that

$$|\Pr[E_{14}] - \Pr[E_{13}]| \le \varepsilon_{\bar{H}}^{tcr} + q_2/q$$
 (21)

**Game**  $G_{15}$ : We modify Challenge phase in  $G_{14}$ , so that we use a random value from G instead of  $F((u_1^*)^{z_1^*}(u_2^*)^{z_2^*})$ . Since  $u_1^*$  and  $u_2^*$  are computed randomly and independently, and F is a PRNG, we have

$$|\Pr[E_{15}] - \Pr[E_{14}]| \le \varepsilon_F^{\mathsf{PRNG}} \tag{22}$$

Furthermore, it is easy to see that  $e^*$  is computed by one-time pad, and the re-encryption oracle and decryption oracle output random values when the input with  $u_1 = u_1^*$  and  $u_2 = u_2^*$ . Hence, we have

$$\Pr[E_{15}] = 1/2 \tag{23}$$

Combining eqs.(3)— (12), (14)— (18) and (20)— (23), we have the theorem.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 2.** Scheme  $\prod_{sm}$  is CCA-R-secure in the standard model, if the DDH assumption holds in G,  $\bar{H}$ , H are target collision-resistant, and  $\mathbf{F}$  is a PRNG. In particular

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathit{SUPRE}}^{\mathit{CCA-R}}(k) \leq \frac{4 + q_d + q_1}{q} + \varepsilon_{ddh} + \varepsilon_H^{tcr} + \varepsilon_{\tilde{H}}^{tcr} + \varepsilon_{\mathbf{F}}^{\mathit{PRNG}},$$

where the meanings of the notations are the same as that in Theorem 1.

*Proof.* We prove the theorem by the similar method in [11,20].

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an adversary who breaks scheme  $\prod_{sm}$  in the sense of CCA-R security. The attack game is as described in Section 3.1. Suppose that the system parameter is  $(q, g_1, G, F, \check{F}, \mathbf{F}, \bar{H}, H)$ ,

and we denote the values related to the challenge ciphertext as starred letters. For example, the target public key is  $(g_2^*, \bar{g}_2^*, c^*, d^*, h^*, \bar{c}^*, \bar{d}^*)$ , the corresponding secret key is  $(x_1^*, x_2^*, y_1^*, y_2^*, z_1^*, z_2^*, z^*)$ , and the challenge re-encrypted ciphertext  $(\mathbf{u}_1^*, \mathbf{u}_2^*, \mathbf{e}^*, \mathbf{v}^*)$ .

We say that a re-encrypted ciphertext is valid, if  $\mathbf{u}_1 = g_1^{\mathbf{r}}$  and  $\mathbf{u}_2 = \bar{g}_2^{\mathbf{r}}$  for some  $\mathbf{r}$ ; otherwise, we say that it is invalid.

Let  $\beta^* = \beta_1^* \beta_2^* = \log_{g_1} \bar{g}_2^*$  and  $\log_{g_1} = \log$ . Then

$$\log \bar{c}^* = x_1^* + \beta^* x_2^* \tag{24}$$

$$\log \bar{d}^* = y_1^* + \beta^* y_2^* \tag{25}$$

Note that we do not know the value of  $\beta^*$ , but know the value of  $\beta_2^*$ , where  $g_2^* = (\bar{g}_2^*)^{1/\beta_2^*}$ .

**Game**  $G_0$ : Let  $G_0$  be the original attack game,  $E_0$  be the event that  $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}'$  in  $G_0$ . Hence,

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\text{SIIPRE}}^{\text{CCA-R}}(k) = |\Pr[E_0] - 1/2| \tag{26}$$

We shall define a sequence  $G_1, \dots, G_I$  of modified attack games. For any  $1 \le i \le I$ , we let  $E_i$  be the event that  $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b}'$  in  $G_i$ .

Game  $G_1$ : We modify Challenge phase in game  $G_1$ , so that  $\mathbf{v}^* = (\bar{c}^*)^{\mathbf{r}^*} (\bar{d}^*)^{\mathbf{r}^*\hat{\alpha}^*}$  and  $\mathbf{e}^* = \mathbf{F}(h^{*\mathbf{r}^*}) \oplus \nabla$  are replaced by  $\mathbf{v}^* = (\mathbf{u}_1^*)^{x_1^* + y_1^*\hat{\alpha}^*} (\mathbf{u}_2^*)^{x_2^* + y_2^*\hat{\alpha}^*}$  and  $\mathbf{e}^* = \mathbf{F}((\mathbf{u}_1^*)^{z_1^*} (\mathbf{u}_2^*)^{z_2^*/\beta_2^*}) \oplus \nabla$ , respectively. This change is purely conceptual, hence

$$\Pr[E_1] = \Pr[E_0] \tag{27}$$

**Game**  $G_2$ : We modify Challenge phase in game  $G_1$ , so that  $(\mathbf{u}_1^*, \mathbf{u}_2^*)$  is replaced by a random pair  $(g_1^{\mathbf{r}_1^*}, (\bar{g}_2^*)^{\mathbf{r}_2^*})$ , where  $\mathbf{r}_1^* \neq \mathbf{r}_2^*$ . Due to the target collision resistance of  $\bar{H}$ , knowing  $(\bar{H}(x_1^*), \bar{H}(x_2^*), \bar{H}(y_1^*), \bar{H}(y_2^*))$  does not hurt the secrecy of  $(x_1^*, x_2^*, y_1^*, y_2^*)$ . Hence, under the DDH assumption,  $\mathcal{A}$  will hardly notice this change. We have the same proof as that of Lemma 6.3 in [11] for the following.

$$|\Pr[E_2] - \Pr[E_1]| \le \varepsilon_{ddh} + 3/q + \varepsilon_{\bar{H}}^{tcr}$$
 (28)

Game  $G_3$ : We modify the decryption oracle in game  $G_2$ , so that it applies the following special rejection rule: In Phase 2, if the adversary submits a re-encrypted ciphertext  $(pk^*, \mathbf{C})$  with  $(\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{e}) \neq (\mathbf{u}_1^*, \mathbf{u}_2^*, \mathbf{e}^*)$  but  $\hat{\alpha} = \hat{\alpha}^*$ , then the decryption oracle immediately outputs reject. It is easy to see that game  $G_2$  and game  $G_3$  proceed identically until that the decryption oracle in  $G_3$  outputs reject by using the rule while the decryption oracle in  $G_2$  does not.

We have the same proof as that of Lemma 6.5 in [11] for the following.

$$|\Pr[E_3] - \Pr[E_2]| \le \varepsilon_H^{tcr} + 1/q \tag{29}$$

**Game**  $G_4$ : We modify the decryption oracle in game  $G_3$ , so that it rejects all invalid re-encrypted ciphertext  $(pk^*, \mathbf{C})$ 's in Phase 1. Let  $R_4$  be the event that  $(pk^*, \mathbf{C})$  is rejected in  $G_4$  that would not have been rejected in  $G_3$ . It is clear that games  $G_4$  and  $G_3$  proceed identically until the event  $R_4$  occurs. Hence, we have

$$|\Pr[E_4] - \Pr[E_3]| \le \Pr[R_4] \tag{30}$$

### Lemma 3.

$$\Pr[R_4] \le \varepsilon_{\bar{H}}^{tcr} + q_1/q \tag{31}$$

Proof of Lemma 3:  $\mathcal{A}$  cannot get  $(x_1^*, x_2^*, y_1^*, y_2^*)$  from  $(\bar{H}(x_1^*), \bar{H}(x_2^*), \bar{H}(y_1^*), \bar{H}(y_2^*))$  due to the target collision resistance of  $\bar{H}$ . Hence, from  $\mathcal{A}$ 's view,  $(x_1^*, x_2^*, y_1^*, y_2^*)$  is a random point satisfying eqs.(24) and (25). Suppose  $\mathcal{A}$  queries an invalid ciphertext  $(u_1, u_2, e, v)$  to the decryption oracle, where  $\log \mathbf{u}_1 = \mathbf{r}_1$  and  $\log \mathbf{u}_2 = \beta^* \mathbf{r}_2$  with  $\mathbf{r}_1 \neq \mathbf{r}_2$ . The challenger won't reject  $(\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{v})$ , unless the following equation holds

$$\log \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{r}_1 x_1^* + \beta^* \mathbf{r}_2 x_2^* + \hat{\alpha} \mathbf{r}_1 y_1^* + \hat{\alpha} \mathbf{r}_2 \beta^* y_2^*$$
(32)

where  $\hat{\alpha} = H(\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{e})$ . However, it is clear that eqs.(24), (25) and (32) are linearly independent. Hence, we get the lemma.

**Game**  $G_5$ : We modify Challenge phase in game  $G_4$ , so that  $(\mathbf{u}_1^*, \mathbf{u}_2^*) = (g_1^{\mathbf{r}_1^*}, (\bar{g}_2^*)^{\mathbf{r}_2^*})$  is randomly chosen in such a way that an event  $R_5$  does not occur, where  $R_5$  is the event that  $(\mathbf{u}_1^*, \mathbf{u}_2^*) = (\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2)$  for some invalid ciphertext which  $\mathcal{A}$  queries in Phase 1. It is clear that  $R_5$  happens with  $q_1/q$  at most since  $\mathbf{r}_1^*, \mathbf{r}_2^*$  are chosen independently and randomly. Hence, we have

$$|\Pr[E_5] - \Pr[E_4]| \le q_1/q \tag{33}$$

**Game**  $G_6$ : We modify the decryption oracle in game  $G_5$ , so that it rejects all invalid re-encrypted ciphertext  $(pk^*, \mathbf{C})$ 's in Phase 2. Let  $R_6$  be the event that an original ciphertext is rejected in  $G_6$  that would not have been rejected under the rules of  $G_5$ . It is clear that games  $G_6$  and  $G_5$  proceed identically until the event  $R_6$  occurs. Hence, we have

$$|\Pr[E_6] - \Pr[E_5]| \le \Pr[R_6] \tag{34}$$

#### Lemma 4.

$$\Pr[R_6] \le \varepsilon_{\bar{H}}^{tcr} + q_2/q \tag{35}$$

Proof of Lemma 2: From  $\mathcal{A}$ 's view, due to the target collision resistance of  $\bar{H}$ ,  $(x_1^*, x_2^*, y_1^*, y_2^*)$  is a random point satisfying eqs.(24), (25) and (36).

$$\log \mathbf{v}^* = \mathbf{r}_1^* x_1^* + \beta^* \mathbf{r}_2^* x_2^* + \hat{\alpha}^* \mathbf{r}_1^* y_1^* + \hat{\alpha}^* \mathbf{r}_2^* \beta^* y_2^*$$
(36)

Suppose  $\mathcal{A}$  queries an invalid re-encrypted ciphertext  $(\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{v})$  to the decryption oracle, where  $\log \mathbf{u}_1 = \mathbf{r}_1$  and  $\log \mathbf{u}_2 = \beta^* \mathbf{r}_2$  with  $\mathbf{r}_1 \neq \mathbf{r}_2$ . The challenger won't reject  $(\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{v})$ , unless eq. (32) holds. However, it is clear that eqs.(24), (25), (32) and (36) are linearly independent. Hence, we get the lemma.

**Game**  $G_7$ : We modify Challenge phase in  $G_6$ , so that we use a random value from G instead of  $\mathbf{F}((\mathbf{u}_1^*)^{z_1^*}(\mathbf{u}_2^*)^{z_2^*/\beta_2^*})$ . Since  $\mathbf{u}_1^*$  and  $\mathbf{u}_2^*$  are computed randomly and independently, and F is a PRNG, we have

$$|\Pr[E_7] - \Pr[E_6]| \le \varepsilon_F^{\mathsf{PRNG}}$$
 (37)

Furthermore, it is easy to see that  $e^*$  is computed by one-time pad, and decryption oracle outputs reject when the input is invalid. Hence, we have

$$\Pr[E_7] = 1/2 \tag{38}$$

Combining eqs. 
$$(26)$$
—  $(31)$ ,  $(33)$ —  $(35)$  and  $(37)$ —  $(38)$ , we have the theorem.

# 5 Comparison

In this section, we compare our proposal with scheme WCY<sup>+</sup>10 [28] in terms of the computational cost and ciphertext size. In Table 2, we denote  $t_p$ ,  $t_{me}$ , and  $t_{re}$  as the timings of a bilinear pairing, a multi(=sequential)-exponentiation, and a regular exponentiation, respectively. We omit other timings. We also denote  $\ell_{\mathbb{G}_1}$ ,  $\ell_{\mathbb{G}_2}$ ,  $\ell_{G}$ ,  $\ell_{q}$  and  $\ell$  as the bit lengths of elements in bilinear groups  $\mathbb{G}_1$ ,  $\mathbb{G}_2$  with prime order q, elements in a finite cyclic group G with prime order q, elements in  $Z_q^*$ , and the security parameter, respectively.

Following the relations in [19], we have that bilinear pairings  $\approx 3-5$ , multi(=sequential)-exponentiation  $\approx 1.2$ , and regular exponentiation = 1. From Table 2, we can see that scheme WCY+10 needs less storage for the re-encrypted ciphertext and less time for algorithm ReKeyGen than our proposal, while our proposal are more efficient in algorithms Enc, ReEnc, Dec, which are used more frequently than ReKeyGen.

			$WCY^{+}10$ [28]	Ours
		ReKeyGen	$1t_{re}$	$1t_{me} + 3t_{re}$
Comput. Cost	Enc		$2t_{me} + 3t_{re}$	$1t_{me} + 3t_{re}$
	ReEnc		$3t_p + 3t_{me} + 1t_{re}$	$3t_{me} + 6t_{re}$
	Dec	Original	$3t_p + 3t_{me} + 2t_{re}$	$1t_{me} + 1t_{re}$
		Re-encrypted	$2t_p + 1t_{me} + 1t_{re}$	$4t_{me} + 2t_{re}$
Ciphertext Size	Original		$1\ell_q + 3\ell_{\mathbb{G}_1} + \ell$	$4\ell_G$
	Re-encrypted		$1\ell_q + 2\ell_{\mathbb{G}_1} + 1\ell_{\mathbb{G}_2} + \ell$	$12\ell_G + 6\ell_q$

**Table 2.** Comparison between our proposal and scheme WCY<sup>+</sup>10.

## 6 Conclusion

In this paper, we have proposed a novel proxy re-encryption scheme. To the best of our knowledge, our proposal is the first unidirectional PRE scheme without pairings while proven-secure in the standard model. A special property of our proposal is without public verifiability, which is the key part in all the existing CCA-secure PRE schemes.

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