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Short CCA-Secure Ciphertext-Policy Attribute-Based Encryption ^{*}

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Abstract. We propose a technique of individually modifying an attribute-based encryption scheme (ABE) that is secure against chosen-plaintext attacks (CPA) into an ABE scheme that is secure against chosen-ciphertext attacks (CCA) in the standard model. We demonstrate the technique in the case of the Waters ciphertext-policy ABE (CP-ABE). Our technique is helpful when a Diffie-Hellman tuple to be verified is in the terminal group of a bilinear map. We utilize the Twin Diffie-Hellman Trapdoor Test of Cash, Kiltz and Shoup, and it results in expansion of secret key length and decryption cost of computation by a factor of four, whereas public key length, ciphertext length and encryption cost of computation remain almost the same. In the case that the size of attribute sets are small, those lengths and costs are smaller than those of the CP-ABE obtained via the generic transformation of Yamada et al. in PKC 2011.

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1 Introduction

Attribute-based encryption (ABE) was first proposed by Sahai and Waters [SW05] to realize fine-grained access control by encryption, where attributes mean authorized credentials. In ciphertext-policy ABE (CP-ABE) introduced by the subsequent work of Goyal, Pandey, Sahai and Waters [GPSW06], ciphertexts are associated with access policies over attributes, while secret keys are associated with sets of attributes. A secret key works to decrypt a ciphertext if and only if the associated set of attributes satisfies the associated access policy. Since the proposal, it has been studied to attain certain properties such as indistinguishability against chosen-plaintext attacks (IND-CPA) in the standard model [Wat11] and adaptive security against adversary's choice of a target access structure [LOS⁺10].

In this paper, we work through a problem of constructing a shorter ABE scheme that attains indistinguishability against chosen-ciphertext attacks (IND-CCA) in the standard model. Here CCA means that an adversary can collect decryption results of ciphertexts of its choice through attacking.

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Let us recall the case of identity-based encryption (IBE). The CHK transformation of Canetti, Halevi and Katz [CHK04] is a generic tool for obtaining IND-CCA secure IBE scheme. It transforms any hierarchical IBE (HIBE) scheme that is selective-ID IND-CPA secure into an IBE scheme that is adaptive-ID IND-CCA secure. A point of the CHK transformation is that it introduces a dummy identity \mathbf{vk} that is a verification key of a one-time signature. Then a ciphertext is attached with \mathbf{vk} and a signature σ , which is generated each time one executes encryption. In contrast, direct chosen-ciphertext security technique for IBE of Boyen, Mei and Waters [BMW05] is an individual technique for obtaining an IND-CCA secure IBE scheme. It converts a HIBE scheme that is adaptive-ID IND-CPA secure into an IBE scheme that is adaptive-ID IND-CCA secure. Though the technique needs to treat each scheme individually, the obtained scheme attains better performance than that obtained by the generic tool (the CHK transformation). Let us transfer into the case of ABE. The transformation of Yamada et al. [YAHK11] is a generic tool for obtaining IND-CCA secure ABE scheme. It transforms any ABE scheme (with delegatability or verifiability) that is IND-CPA secure into an ABE scheme that is IND-CCA secure. A point of their transformation is, similar to the case of IBE, that it introduces a dummy attribute \mathbf{vk} that is a verification key of a one-time signature. Then a ciphertext is attached with \mathbf{vk} and a signature σ . Notice here that developing direct chosen-ciphertext security technique for ABE (in the standard model) is a missing piece. One of the reason seems that there is an obstacle that a Diffie Hellman tuple to be verified is in the terminal group of a bilinear map. In that situation, the bilinear map looks of no use.

1.1 Our Contribution

A first contribution is that we fill in the missing piece of direct chosen-ciphertext security for ABE. We develop a technique and apply it to the Waters CP-ABE scheme [Wat11] to obtain IND-CCA security. A second technical contribution is as follows. To overcome the above obstacle, we employ and apply the Twin Diffie-Hellman Trapdoor Test of Cash, Kiltz and Shoup [CKS08]. In addition to that, we also utilize the algebraic trick of Boneh and Boyen [BB04] and Kiltz [Kil06] to reply for adversary's decryption query. In total, we develop the technique to realize direct chosen-ciphertext security.

1.2 Related Works

Waters [Wat11] pointed out that IND-CCA security would be attained by the CHK transformation. Gorantla, Boyd and Nieto [GBN10] constructed a IND-CCA secure CP-ABKEM in the random oracle model. Yamada et al. [YAHK11] proposed a generic transformation of a IND-CPA secure ABE scheme into a IND-CCA secure ABE scheme. Their transformation is considered to be an ABE-version and versatile. Especially, it can be applied to non-pairing-based scheme.

The Waters CP-ABE [Wat11] can be captured as a CP-ABKEM: the blinding factor can be considered as a random one-time key. In addition, the CP-ABKEM is IND-CPA secure because the Waters CP-ABE is proved to be IND-CPA secure. For theoretical simplicity, we will provide *a scheme of KEM first, and then an encryption scheme*. We modify the Waters CP-ABKEM, which is IND-CPA secure, into a KEM which is IND-CCA secure.

It should be noted that, in *key-policy ABE (KP-ABE)* [GPSW06] where ciphertexts are associated with sets of attributes while secret keys are associated with access policies over attributes, there is a remarkable work of a KP-ABE scheme with constant-size ciphertexts [ALdP11]. On the other hand, in CP-ABE schemes there are several works that attain the property of constant-size ciphertexts [HLR10, CZF11, GZC⁺12], but (to the best of the authors' knowledge) those schemes can treat only limited classes of access structures such as the threshold type.

1.3 Efficiency Comparison

We compare efficiency of our CP-ABKEM to the original Waters CP-ABKEM_{cpa}. We also compare efficiency of the CP-ABKEM obtained by the generic transformation of Yamada et al. [YAHK11]. Here

Table 1. Efficiency Comparison of IND-sel-CCA secure CP-ABKEMs obtained from Waters CP-ABKEM_{cpa}.

Scheme	$L(\text{PK})$	$L(\text{SK}_S)$	$L(\text{CT})$	$C(\text{Encap})$	$C(\text{Decap})$
Generic transform of Yamada et al. [YAHK11]	$+2\lambda^2(\mathbb{G})$	$+2\lambda^2(\mathbb{G})$	$+3\lambda^2(\text{bit})$	$+2\lambda^2\text{exp.}(\mathbb{G})$	$+2\lambda^2\text{pair.}(e)$
Our individual modification (CP-ABKEM)	$+3(\mathbb{G}_T)$	$\times 4$	$+2(\mathbb{G}_T)$	$+4\text{exp.}(\mathbb{G}_T)$	$\times 4$

- 1) $L(\text{data})$ denotes length of data, $C(\text{algorithm})$ denotes computational amount of algorithm.
- 2) $+$ and \times mean increment and multiplier to the length or computational amount of the Waters CP-ABKEM_{cpa}.
- 3) (\mathbb{G}) , (\mathbb{G}_T) and (bit) mean elements in \mathbb{G} , elements in \mathbb{G}_T and bits, respectively.
- 4) $\text{exp.}(\mathbb{G})$ and $\text{pair.}(e)$ mean a computational amount of one exponentiation in \mathbb{G} and one pairing computation by the map e , respectively.

the generic transformation [YAHK11] is considered in the setting of small attribute universe [GPSW06], delegation case and the Lamport one-time signature case. Table 1 shows these comparison. Our individual technique results in expansion of secret key length and decryption cost of computation by a factor of four, while public key length, ciphertext length and encryption cost of computation are almost the same as those of the Waters. In the case that the size of attribute sets are up to the square of the security parameter λ , lengths and costs of our CP-ABKEM are smaller than those of the CP-ABE obtained via the generic transformation of Yamada et al. [YAHK11].

1.4 Organization of the Paper

In Section 2, we survey concepts, definitions and techniques needed. In Section 3, we construct a CP-ABKEM from the Waters CP-ABKEM [Wat11] and provide a proof that it attains the IND-sel-CCA security based on the IND-sel-CPA security of the Waters CP-ABKEM. In Section 1.3, we compare efficiency of our CP-ABKEM and CP-ABE with the ones obtained by the generic transformation of Yamada et al. [YAHK11] to the Waters CP-ABKEM. In Section 4, we conclude our works and list up future works to be studied.

2 Preliminaries

The security parameter is denoted λ . A prime of bit length λ is denoted p . A multiplicative cyclic group of order p is denoted \mathbb{G} . The ring of exponent domain of \mathbb{G} , which consists of integers from 0 to $p - 1$ with modulo p operation, is denoted \mathbb{Z}_p .

2.1 Bilinear Map

Let \mathbb{G} and \mathbb{G}_T be two multiplicative cyclic groups of prime order p . Let g be a generator of \mathbb{G} and e be a bilinear map, $e : \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$. The bilinear map e has the following properties:

1. Bilinearity: for all $u, v \in \mathbb{G}$ and $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, we have $e(u^a, v^b) = e(u, v)^{ab}$.
2. Non-degeneracy: $e(g, g) \neq \text{id}_{\mathbb{G}_T}$ (: the identity element of the group \mathbb{G}_T).

Parameters of a bilinear map are generated by a probabilistic polynomial time (PPT) algorithm Grp on input λ : $(p, \mathbb{G}, \mathbb{G}_T, g, e) \leftarrow \text{Grp}(\lambda)$.

Hereafter we assume that the group operation in \mathbb{G} and \mathbb{G}_T and the bilinear map $e : \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$ are computable in PT in λ .

2.2 Access Structure

Let $\mathcal{U} = \{\chi_1, \dots, \chi_u\}$ be a set of attributes, or simply set $\mathcal{U} = \{1, \dots, u\}$ by numbering. An *access structure*, which corresponds to an access policy, is defined as a collection \mathbb{A} of non-empty subsets of \mathcal{U} ; that is, $\mathbb{A} \subset 2^{\mathcal{U}} \setminus \{\emptyset\}$. An access structure \mathbb{A} is called *monotone* if for any $B \in \mathbb{A}$ and $B \subset C$, $C \in \mathbb{A}$ holds. The sets in \mathbb{A} are called authorized sets, and the sets not in \mathbb{A} are called unauthorized sets. We will consider in this paper only monotone access structures.

2.3 Linear Secret-Sharing Scheme

We only describe a linear secret-sharing scheme (LSSS) in our context of attribute-based schemes. A secret-sharing scheme Π over the attribute universe \mathcal{U} is called linear over \mathbb{Z}_p if:

1. The shares for each attribute form a vector over \mathbb{Z}_p ,
2. There exists a matrix M of size $l \times n$ called the share-generating matrix for Π and a function ρ which maps each row index i of M to an attribute in $\mathcal{U} = \{1, \dots, u\}$: $\rho : \{1, \dots, l\} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$.

To make shares, we first choose a random vector $\mathbf{v} = (s, y_2, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{Z}_p^n$: s is a secret to be shared. For $i = 1$ to l , we calculate each share $\lambda_i = \mathbf{v} \cdot M_i$, where M_i denotes the i -th row vector of M and \cdot denotes the formal inner product. LSSS $\Pi = (M, \rho)$ defines an access structure \mathbb{A} through ρ .

Suppose that an attribute set S satisfies \mathbb{A} ($S \in \mathbb{A}$) and let $I_S = \rho^{-1}(S) \subset \{1, \dots, l\}$. Then, let $\{\omega_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p; i \in I_S\}$ be a set of constants (*linear reconstruction constants*) such that if $\{\lambda_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p; i \in I_S\}$ are valid shares of a secret s according to M , then $\sum_{i \in I_S} \omega_i \lambda_i = s$. It is known that these constants $\{\omega_i\}_{i \in I_S}$ can be found in time polynomial in l : the row size of the share-generating matrix M . If S does not satisfy \mathbb{A} ($S \notin \mathbb{A}$), then no such constants $\{\omega_i\}_{i \in I_S}$ exist.

2.4 Ciphertext-Policy Attribute-Based Key Encapsulation Mechanism

A ciphertext-policy attribute-based key encapsulation mechanism (CP-ABKEM) consists of four PPT algorithms (Setup, Encap, Keygen, Decap)³.

Setup(λ, \mathcal{U}). A setup algorithm Setup takes as input the security parameter λ and the attribute universe $\mathcal{U} = \{1, \dots, u\}$. It returns a public key PK and a master secret key MSK.

Encap(PK, \mathbb{A}). An encapsulation algorithm Encap takes as input the public key PK and an access structure \mathbb{A} . It returns a random string κ and its encapsulation ψ .

KeyGen(PK, MSK, S). A key generation algorithm KeyGen takes as input the public key PK, the master secret key MSK and an attribute set S . It returns a secret key SK_S corresponding to S .

Decap(PK, SK_S, ψ). A decapsulation algorithm Decap takes as input the public key PK, an encapsulation (we also call it a ciphertext according to context) ψ and a secret key SK_S . It first checks whether $S \in \mathbb{A}$, where S and \mathbb{A} are contained in SK_S and ψ , respectively. If the check result is FALSE, it puts $\hat{\kappa} = \perp$. It returns a decapsulation result $\hat{\kappa}$.

Chosen-Ciphertext Attack on CP-ABKEM. According to previous works (for example, see [GBN10]), the chosen-ciphertext attack on a CP-ABKEM is formally defined as the indistinguishability game (IND-CCA game), that is described as the following experiment of an adversary \mathcal{A} .

Experiment _{$\mathcal{A}, \text{CP-ABKEM}$} ^{ind-cca}(λ, \mathcal{U})

(PK, MSK) \leftarrow **Setup**(λ, \mathcal{U})

$\mathbb{A}^* \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\text{KeyGen}(\text{PK}, \text{MSK}, \cdot), \text{Decap}(\text{PK}, \text{SK}_{\cdot}, \cdot)}$ (PK, \mathcal{U})

(κ^*, ψ^*) \leftarrow **Encap**(PK, \mathbb{A}^*), $\kappa \leftarrow \text{KeySp}(\lambda)$, $b \leftarrow \{0, 1\}$

If $b = 1$ then $\tilde{\kappa} = \kappa^*$ else $\tilde{\kappa} = \kappa$

$b' \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\text{KeyGen}(\text{PK}, \text{MSK}, \cdot), \text{Decap}(\text{PK}, \text{SK}_{\cdot}, \cdot)}$ ($\tilde{\kappa}, \psi^*$)

If $b' = b$ then return WIN else return LOSE.

³ In Gorantla, Boyd and Nieto [GBN10], they say *encapsulation-policy* attribute-based-KEM (EP-AB-KEM) instead of saying ciphertext-policy attribute-based KEM here.

In the above experiment, two kinds of queries are issued by \mathcal{A} .

One is key-extraction queries. Indicating an attribute set S_i , \mathcal{A} queries its key-extraction oracle $\text{KeyGen}(\text{PK}, \text{MSK}, \cdot)$ for the secret key SK_{S_i} . Here we do not require any input attribute sets S_{i_1} and S_{i_2} to be distinct.

Another is decapsulation queries. Indicating a pair (S_j, ψ_j) of an attribute set and an encapsulation, \mathcal{A} queries its decapsulation oracle $\text{Decap}(\text{PK}, \text{SK}, \cdot)$ for the decapsulation result $\hat{\kappa}_j$. Here an access structure \mathbb{A}_j , which is used to generate an encapsulation ψ_j , is implicitly included in ψ_j . In the case that $S \notin \mathbb{A}$, $\hat{\kappa}_j = \perp$ is replied to \mathcal{A} .

Both kinds of queries are at most q_k and q_d times in total, respectively, which are polynomial in λ .

The access structure \mathbb{A}^* declared by \mathcal{A} is called a *target access structure*. Two restrictions are imposed on \mathcal{A} concerning \mathbb{A}^* . In key-extraction queries, each attribute set S_i must satisfy $S_i \notin \mathbb{A}^*$. In decapsulation queries, each pair (S_j, ψ_j) must satisfy $S_j \notin \mathbb{A}^*$ in the phase before the declaration of \mathbb{A}^* and each pair (S_j, ψ_j) must satisfy $S_j \notin \mathbb{A}^* \vee \psi_j \neq \psi^*$ in the phase after the declaration of \mathbb{A}^* .

The *advantage* of the adversary \mathcal{A} over CP-ABKEM in the IND-CCA game is defined as the following probability:

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}, \text{CP-ABKEM}}^{\text{ind-cca}}(\lambda, \mathcal{U}) = \Pr[\mathbf{Experiment}_{\mathcal{A}, \text{CP-ABKEM}}^{\text{ind-cca}}(\lambda, \mathcal{U}) \text{ returns WIN}].$$

CP-ABKEM is called *secure against chosen-ciphertext attacks* if, for any PPT adversary \mathcal{A} and for any attribute universe \mathcal{U} ⁴, $\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}, \text{CP-ABKEM}}^{\text{ind-cca}}(\lambda, \mathcal{U})$ is negligible in λ .

In the *selective game on a target access structure* (IND-sel-CCA game), the adversary \mathcal{A} declares a target access structure \mathbb{A}^* *before* \mathcal{A} receives a public key PK, which is defined as the following experiment.

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{Experiment}_{\mathcal{A}, \text{CP-ABKEM}}^{\text{ind-sel-cca}}(\lambda, \mathcal{U}) \\ & \mathbb{A}^* \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(\lambda, \mathcal{U}), (\text{PK}, \text{MSK}) \leftarrow \mathbf{Setup}(\lambda, \mathcal{U}) \\ & \epsilon \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\mathbf{KeyGen}(\text{PK}, \text{MSK}, \cdot), \mathbf{Decap}(\text{PK}, \text{SK}, \cdot)}(\text{PK}) \\ & (\kappa^*, \psi^*) \leftarrow \mathbf{Encap}(\text{PK}, \mathbb{A}^*), \kappa \leftarrow \text{KeySp}(\lambda), b \leftarrow \{0, 1\} \\ & \text{If } b = 1 \text{ then } \tilde{\kappa} = \kappa^* \text{ else } \tilde{\kappa} = \kappa \\ & b' \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\mathbf{KeyGen}(\text{PK}, \text{MSK}, \cdot), \mathbf{Decap}(\text{PK}, \text{SK}, \cdot)}(\tilde{\kappa}, \psi^*) \\ & \text{If } b' = b \text{ then return WIN else return LOSE.} \end{aligned}$$

In the indistinguishability game against *chosen-plaintext attack* (IND-CPA game), the adversary \mathcal{A} issues no decapsulation query (that is, $q_d = 0$).

The *advantage* $\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}, \text{scheme}}^{\text{game}}(\lambda, \mathcal{U})$ of the adversary \mathcal{A} over a scheme in a game is defined in the same way as above.

Ciphertext-Policy Attribute-Based Encryption Scheme. In the case of a ciphertext-policy attribute-based encryption scheme (CP-ABE), $\text{Encap}(\text{PK}, \mathbb{A})$ and $\text{Decap}(\text{PK}, \text{SK}_S, \psi)$ are replaced by PPT algorithms $\text{Encrypt}(\text{PK}, \mathbb{A}, m)$ and $\text{Decrypt}(\text{PK}, \text{SK}_S, \text{CT})$, respectively, where m and CT mean a message and a ciphertext, respectively.

The IND-CCA game for CP-ABE is defined in the same way as for CP-ABKEM above, except the following difference. In Challenge phase, the adversary \mathcal{A} submits two equal length messages (plaintexts) m_0 and m_1 . Then the challenger flips a coin $b \in \{0, 1\}$ and gives an encryption result CT of m_b to \mathcal{A} . In Guess phase, the adversary \mathcal{A} returns $b' \in \{0, 1\}$. If $b' = b$, then \mathcal{A} wins in the IND-CCA game. Otherwise, \mathcal{A} loses.

⁴ We must distinguish the two cases; the case that \mathcal{U} is small (i.e. $|\mathcal{U}| = u$ is bounded by some polynomial of λ) and the case that \mathcal{U} is large (i.e. u is not necessarily bounded by a polynomial of λ). We assume the *small case* unless we state the large case explicitly.

2.5 The Twin Diffie-Hellman Technique

A 6-tuple $(g, X_1, X_2, Y, Z_1, Z_2) \in \mathbb{G}^6$ is called a *twin Diffie-Hellman tuple* if the tuple is written as $(g, g^{x_1}, g^{x_2}, g^y, g^{x_1y}, g^{x_2y})$ for some elements x_1, x_2, y in \mathbb{Z}_p . In other words, a 6-tuple $(g, X_1, X_2, Y, Z_1, Z_2)$ is a twin Diffie-Hellman tuple (twin DH tuple, for short) if $Y = g^y$ and $Z_1 = X_1^y$ and $Z_2 = X_2^y$.

The following lemma of Cash, Kiltz and Shoup will be used in the security proof to decide whether a tuple is a twin DH tuple or not.

Lemma 1 (Cash, Kiltz and Shoup [CKS08] “Trapdoor Test”)

Let X_1, r, s be mutually independent random variables, where X_1 takes values in \mathbb{G} , and each of r, s is uniformly distributed over \mathbb{Z}_p . Define the random variable $X_2 = X_1^{-r}g^s$. Suppose that $\hat{Y}, \hat{Z}_1, \hat{Z}_2$ are random variables taking values in \mathbb{G} , each of which is defined independently of r . Then the probability that the truth value of $\hat{Z}_1^r \hat{Z}_2 = \hat{Y}^s$ does not agree with the truth value of $(g, X_1, X_2, \hat{Y}, \hat{Z}_1, \hat{Z}_2)$ being a twin DH tuple is at most $1/p$. Moreover, if $(g, X_1, X_2, \hat{Y}, \hat{Z}_1, \hat{Z}_2)$ is a twin DH tuple, then $\hat{Z}_1^r \hat{Z}_2 = \hat{Y}^s$ certainly holds.

Note that Lemma 1 is a statistical property. Especially, Lemma 1 holds without any number theoretic assumption. To be precise, we consider the following experiment of an algorithm *Cheat* with unbounded computational power (not limited to PPT), where *Cheat*, given a triple (g, X_1, X_2) , tries to complete a 6-tuple $(g, X_1, X_2, \hat{Y}, \hat{Z}_1, \hat{Z}_2)$ which passes the “Trapdoor Test” but which is *not* a twin DH tuple.

Experiment $_{\text{Cheat}, \mathbb{G}}^{\text{twinDH-test}}(\lambda)$

$$(g, X_1) \leftarrow \mathbb{G}^2, (r, s) \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p^2, X_2 = X_1^{-r}g^s$$

$$\mathbb{G}^3 \ni (\hat{Y}, \hat{Z}_1, \hat{Z}_2) \leftarrow \text{Cheat}(g, X_1, X_2)$$

If $\hat{Z}_1^r \hat{Z}_2 = \hat{Y}^s \wedge (g, X_1, X_2, \hat{Y}, \hat{Z}_1, \hat{Z}_2)$ is NOT a twin DH tuple,
then return WIN else return LOSE

Let us define the advantage of *Cheat* over \mathbb{G} as follows.

$$\text{Adv}_{\text{Cheat}, \mathbb{G}}^{\text{twinDH-test}}(\lambda) = \Pr[\text{Experiment}_{\text{Cheat}, \mathbb{G}}^{\text{twinDH-test}}(\lambda) \text{ returns WIN}].$$

Now we are ready to complement Lemma 1.

Lemma 2 (a Complement for Cash, Kiltz and Shoup [CKS08] “Trapdoor Test”)

For any algorithm *Cheat* with unbounded computational power, $\text{Adv}_{\text{Cheat}, \mathbb{G}}^{\text{twinDH-test}}(\lambda)$ is at most $1/p$.

For a proof of Lemma 2, see Appendix A.

3 Securing the Waters CP-ABKEM against Chosen-Ciphertext Attacks

In this section, we describe our direct chosen-ciphertext security technique by applying it to the Waters CP-ABE [Wat11].

Overview of Our Technique The Waters CP-ABE is proved to be secure in the IND-sel-CPA game [Wat11]. We convert it into a scheme that is secure in the IND-sel-CCA game by employing the Twin Diffie-Hellman technique of Cash, Kiltz and Shoup [CKS08] and the algebraic trick of Boneh and Boyen [BB04] and Kiltz [Kil06].

In encryption, a ciphertext becomes to contain additional two elements (d_1, d_2) , which function in decryption as a “check sum” to verify that a tuple is certainly a twin DH tuple.

In security proof, the Twin Diffie-Hellman Trapdoor Test does the function instead. It is noteworthy that we can not use the bilinear map instead because the tuple to be verified is in the terminal group. In addition, the algebraic trick enables to answer for adversary’s decryption queries. Note also that the both technique become compatible by introducing random variables like in Anada and Arita [AA11].

Key Encapsulation and Encryption. The Waters CP-ABE can be captured as a CP-ABKEM: the blinding factor of the form $e(g, g)^{\alpha s}$ in the Waters CP-ABE can be considered as a random one-time key. So we call it the Waters CP-ABKEM hereafter and denote it as $\text{CP-ABKEM}_{\text{cpa}}$. Likewise, we distinguish parameters and algorithms of $\text{CP-ABKEM}_{\text{cpa}}$ by the index cpa . For theoretical simplicity, we first develop a KEM CP-ABKEM.

3.1 Our Construction

Our CP-ABKEM consists of the following four PPT algorithms (Setup, Encap, KeyGen, Decap). Roughly speaking, the Waters original scheme $\text{CP-ABKEM}_{\text{cpa}}$ (the first scheme in [Wat11]) corresponds to the case $k = 1$ below excluding the ‘‘check sum’’ (d_1, d_2) .

Setup(λ, \mathcal{U}). Setup takes as input the security parameter λ and the attribute universe $\mathcal{U} = \{1, \dots, u\}$. It runs $\text{Grp}(\lambda)$ to get $(p, \mathbb{G}, \mathbb{G}_T, g, e)$, where \mathbb{G} and \mathbb{G}_T are cyclic groups of order p , $e : \mathbb{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$ is a bilinear map and g is a generator of \mathbb{G} . These become public parameters. Then Setup chooses u random group elements $h_1, \dots, h_u \in \mathbb{G}$ that are associated with the u attributes. In addition, it chooses random exponents $\alpha_k \in \mathbb{Z}_p, k = 1, \dots, 4, a \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ and a hash key $\eta \in \text{HKey}(\lambda)$. The public key is published as $\text{PK} = (g, g^a, h_1, \dots, h_u, e(g, g)^{\alpha_1}, \dots, e(g, g)^{\alpha_4}, \eta)$. The authority sets $\text{MSK} = (g^{\alpha_1}, \dots, g^{\alpha_4})$ as the master secret key.

Encap(PK, \mathbb{A}). The encapsulation algorithm Encap takes as input the public key PK and an LSSS access structure $\mathbb{A} = (M, \rho)$, where M is an $l \times n$ matrix and ρ is the function which maps each row i of M to an attribute in $\mathcal{U} = \{1, \dots, u\}$. Encap first chooses a random value $s \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ that is the encryption exponent s and random values $y_2, \dots, y_n \in \mathbb{Z}_p$. Then Encap forms a vector $\mathbf{v} = (s, y_2, \dots, y_n)$. For $i = 1$ to l , it calculates $\lambda_i = \mathbf{v} \cdot M_i$, where M_i denotes the i -th row vector of M . In addition, Encap chooses random values $r_1, \dots, r_l \in \mathbb{Z}_p$. Then, a pair of a random one-time key and its encapsulation (κ, ψ) is computed as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Put } C' = g^s; \text{ For } i = 1 \text{ to } l : C_i = g^{a\lambda_i} h_{\rho(i)}^{-r_i}, D_i = g^{r_i}; \\ & \psi_{\text{cpa}} = (\mathbb{A}, C', ((C_i, D_i); i = 1, \dots, l)), \tau \leftarrow H_\eta(\psi_{\text{cpa}}); \\ & \text{For } k = 1 \text{ to } 4 : \kappa_k = e(g, g)^{\alpha_k s}; d_1 = \kappa_1^\tau \kappa_3, d_2 = \kappa_2^\tau \kappa_4; \\ & (\kappa, \psi) = (\kappa_1, (\psi_{\text{cpa}}, d_1, d_2)). \end{aligned}$$

KeyGen(MSK, PK, S). The key generation algorithm KeyGen takes as input the master secret key MSK , the public key PK and a set S of attributes. KeyGen first chooses a random $t_k \in \mathbb{Z}_p, k = 1, \dots, 4$. It creates the secret key SK_S as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{For } k = 1 \text{ to } 4 : K_k = g^{\alpha_k} g^{at_k}, L_k = g^{t_k}, \text{ For } x \in S : K_{k,x} = h_x^{t_k}; \\ & \text{SK}_S = ((K_k, L_k, (K_{k,x}; x \in S)); k = 1, \dots, 4). \end{aligned}$$

Decap($\text{PK}, \psi, \text{SK}_S$). The decapsulation algorithm Decap takes as input the public key PK , an encapsulation ψ for the access structure $\mathbb{A} = (M, \rho)$ and a private key SK_S for an attribute set S . It first checks whether $S \in \mathbb{A}$. If the result is FALSE, put $\hat{\kappa} = \perp$. else, let $I_S = \rho^{-1}(S) \subset \{1, \dots, l\}$ and let $\{\omega_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p; i \in I_S\}$ be a set of linear reconstruction constants. Then, the decapsulation $\hat{\kappa}$ is computed as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Parse } \psi \text{ into } (\psi_{\text{cpa}} = (\mathbb{A}, C', ((C_i, D_i); i = 1, \dots, l)), d_1, d_2); \tau \leftarrow H_\eta(\psi_{\text{cpa}}); \\ & \text{For } k = 1 \text{ to } 4 : \hat{\kappa}_k = e(C', K_k) / \prod_{i \in I_S} (e(C_i, L_k) e(D_i, K_{k, \rho(i)}))^{\omega_i} = e(g, g)^{\alpha_k s}, \\ & \text{If } \hat{\kappa}_1^\tau \hat{\kappa}_3 \neq d_1 \vee \hat{\kappa}_2^\tau \hat{\kappa}_4 \neq d_2, \text{ then put } \hat{\kappa} = \perp, \text{ else put } \hat{\kappa} = \hat{\kappa}_1. \end{aligned}$$

3.2 Security and its Proof

Theorem 1 *If the Waters CP-ABKEM_{cpa} [Wat11] is selectively secure against chosen-plaintext attacks and an employed hash function family Hfam has target collision resistance, then our CP-ABKEM is selectively secure against chosen-ciphertext attacks. More precisely, for any given PPT adversary \mathcal{A} that attacks CP-ABKEM in the IND-sel-CCA game where decapsulation queries are at most q_d times, and for any attribute universe \mathcal{U} , there exist a PPT adversary \mathcal{B} that attacks CP-ABKEM_{cpa} in the IND-sel-CPA game and a PPT target collision finder \mathcal{CF} on Hfam that satisfy the following tight reduction.*

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}, \text{CP-ABKEM}}^{\text{ind-sel-cca}}(\lambda, \mathcal{U}) \leq \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}, \text{CP-ABKEM}_{\text{cpa}}}^{\text{ind-sel-cpa}}(\lambda, \mathcal{U}) + \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{CF}, \text{Hfam}}^{\text{tcr}}(\lambda) + \frac{q_d}{p}.$$

A definition of the target collision resistance game and the advantage of \mathcal{CF} are given in Appendix H. *Proof.* Given any adversary \mathcal{A} that attacks our scheme CP-ABKEM in the IND-sel-CCA game, we construct an adversary \mathcal{B} that attacks the Waters scheme CP-ABKEM_{cpa} in the IND-sel-CPA game as follows.

Commit to a Target Access Structure. \mathcal{B} is given (λ, \mathcal{U}) as inputs, where λ is the security parameter and $\mathcal{U} = \{1, \dots, u\}$ is the attribute universe. \mathcal{B} invokes \mathcal{A} on input (λ, \mathcal{U}) and gets a target access structure $\mathbb{A}^* = (M^*, \rho^*)$ from \mathcal{A} , where M^* is of size $l^* \times n^*$. \mathcal{B} uses \mathbb{A}^* as the target access structure of itself and outputs \mathbb{A}^* .

Set up. In return to outputting \mathbb{A}^* , \mathcal{B} receives the public key PK_{cpa} for CP-ABKEM_{cpa}, which consists of the following components.

$$\text{PK}_{\text{cpa}} = (g, g^\alpha, h_1, \dots, h_u, e(g, g)^\alpha).$$

To set up a public key PK for CP-ABKEM, \mathcal{B} herein needs a challenge instance: \mathcal{B} queries its challenger and gets a challenge instance $(\tilde{\kappa}, \psi_{\text{cpa}}^*)$. It consists of the following components.

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\kappa} &= e(g, g)^{\alpha s^*} \text{ OR a random one-time key } \kappa \in \text{KeySp}(\lambda), \\ \psi_{\text{cpa}}^* &= (\mathbb{A}^*, C'^* = g^{s^*}, ((C_i^*, D_i^*); i = 1, \dots, l^*)). \end{aligned}$$

Then \mathcal{B} makes the rest of parameters of PK as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Pick up } \eta \leftarrow \text{HKey}(\lambda) \text{ and take } \tau^* \leftarrow H_\eta(\psi_{\text{cpa}}^*); \\ &\text{Put } e(g, g)^{\alpha_1} = e(g, g)^\alpha; \\ &\text{Pick up } \gamma_1, \gamma_2 \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p \text{ and put } e(g, g)^{\alpha_2} = e(g, g)^{\gamma_2} / e(g, g)^{\alpha_1 \gamma_1}; \\ &\text{Pick up } \mu_1, \mu_2 \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p \text{ and put } e(g, g)^{\alpha_3} = e(g, g)^{\mu_1} / e(g, g)^{\alpha_1 \tau^*}, \\ &\quad e(g, g)^{\alpha_4} = e(g, g)^{\mu_2} / e(g, g)^{\alpha_2 \tau^*}. \end{aligned}$$

Note we have implicitly set relations in the exponent domain:

$$\alpha_2 = \gamma_2 - \alpha_1 \gamma_1, \quad \alpha_3 = \mu_1 - \alpha_1 \tau^*, \quad \alpha_4 = \mu_2 - \alpha_2 \tau^* = \mu_2 - (\gamma_2 - \alpha_1 \gamma_1) \tau^*. \quad (1)$$

A public key PK for CP-ABKEM become:

$$\text{PK} = (\text{PK}_{\text{cpa}}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_2}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_3}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_4}, \eta).$$

Then \mathcal{B} inputs PK into \mathcal{A} . Note that PK determines the corresponding MSK uniquely.

Phase 1. \mathcal{B} answers for two types of \mathcal{A} 's queries as follows.

(1) **Key-Extraction Queries.** In the case that \mathcal{A} issues a key-extraction query for an attribute set $S \subset \mathcal{U}$, \mathcal{B} has to simulate \mathcal{A} 's challenger. To do so, \mathcal{B} issues key-extraction queries to \mathcal{B} 's challenger for S repeatedly up to four times. As replies, \mathcal{B} gets four secret keys of the Waters CP-ABKEM_{cpa} for a single attribute set S :

$$\text{SK}_{\text{cpa},S,k} = (K_{\text{cpa},k}, L_{\text{cpa},k}, (K_{\text{cpa},k,x}; x \in S)), k = 1, \dots, 4.$$

We remark that, according to the randomness in the key-generation algorithm of the Waters CP-ABKEM_{cpa}, all four secret keys $\text{SK}_{\text{cpa},S,1}, \dots, \text{SK}_{\text{cpa},S,4}$ are random and mutually independent. To reply a secret key SK_S of our CP-ABKEM to \mathcal{A} , \mathcal{B} converts the four secret keys as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Put } K_1 &= K_{\text{cpa},1}, & L_1 &= L_{\text{cpa},1}, & K_{1,x} &= K_{\text{cpa},1,x}, & x \in S; \\ \text{Put } K_2 &= g^{\gamma_2} K_{\text{cpa},2}^{-\gamma_1}, & L_2 &= L_{\text{cpa},2}^{-\gamma_1}, & K_{2,x} &= K_{\text{cpa},2,x}^{-\gamma_1}, & x \in S; \\ \text{Put } K_3 &= g^{\mu_1} K_{\text{cpa},3}^{-\tau^*}, & L_3 &= L_{\text{cpa},3}^{-\tau^*}, & K_{3,x} &= K_{\text{cpa},3,x}^{\tau^*}, & x \in S; \\ \text{Put } K_4 &= g^{\mu_2 - \gamma_2 \tau^*} K_{\text{cpa},4}^{\gamma_1 \tau^*}, & L_4 &= L_{\text{cpa},4}^{\gamma_1 \tau^*}, & K_{4,x} &= K_{\text{cpa},4,x}^{\gamma_1 \tau^*}, & x \in S. \end{aligned}$$

Then \mathcal{B} replies $\text{SK}_S = ((K_k, L_k, (K_{k,x}; x \in S)); k = 1, \dots, 4)$ to \mathcal{A} .

(2) **Decapsulation Queries.** In the case that \mathcal{A} issues a decapsulation query for (S, ψ) , where $S \subset \mathcal{U}$ is an attribute set and $\psi = (\psi_{\text{cpa}}, d_1, d_2)$ is an encapsulation concerning \mathbb{A} , \mathcal{B} has to simulate \mathcal{A} 's challenger. To do so, \mathcal{B} computes the decapsulation result $\hat{\kappa}$ as follows.

If $S \notin \mathbb{A}$ then put $\hat{\kappa} = \perp$,
else
Take $\tau \leftarrow H_\eta(\psi_{\text{cpa}})$;
Put $\hat{Y} = e(C', g)^{\tau - \tau^*}$, $\hat{Z}_1 = d_1 / e(C', g)^{\mu_1}$, $\hat{Z}_2 = d_2 / e(C', g)^{\mu_2}$;
If $\hat{Z}_1^{\gamma_1} \hat{Z}_2 \neq \hat{Y}^{\gamma_2}$ (: call this checking TWINDH-TEST)
then put $\hat{\kappa} = \hat{\kappa}_1 = \perp$
else
If $\tau = \tau^*$ then abort (: call this case ABORT)
else $\hat{\kappa} = \hat{\kappa}_1 = \hat{Z}_1^{1/(\tau - \tau^*)}$.

Challenge. In the case that \mathcal{A} queries its challenger for a challenge instance, \mathcal{B} makes a challenge instance as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Put } d_1^* &= e(C'^*, g)^{\mu_1}, & d_2^* &= e(C'^*, g)^{\mu_2}; \\ \text{Put } \psi^* &= (\psi_{\text{cpa}}^*, d_1^*, d_2^*). \end{aligned}$$

Then \mathcal{B} feeds $(\tilde{\kappa}, \psi^*)$ to \mathcal{A} as a challenge instance.

Phase 2. The same as in Phase 1.

Guess. In the case that \mathcal{A} returns \mathcal{A} 's guess \tilde{b} , \mathcal{B} returns \tilde{b} itself as \mathcal{B} 's guess.

In the above construction of \mathcal{B} , \mathcal{B} can perfectly simulate the real view of \mathcal{A} until the case ABORT happens, except for a negligible case, and hence the algorithm \mathcal{A} works as designed. To see the perfect simulation with a negligible exceptional case, we are enough to prove the following seven claims.

Claim 1 *The reply $SK_S = ((K_k, L_k, (K_{k,x}; x \in S)); k = 1, \dots, 4)$ for a key-extraction query of \mathcal{A} is a perfect simulation.*

Proof. We must consider the implicit relations (1). For the index 2, we have implicitly set the randomness $t_2 = t_{\text{cpa},2}(-\gamma_1)$ and we get:

$$\begin{aligned} K_2 &= g^{\gamma_2} K_{\text{cpa},2}^{-\gamma_1} = g^{\gamma_2} (g^{\alpha_1} g^{at_{\text{cpa},2}})^{-\gamma_1} = g^{\gamma_2} (g^{\alpha_1} g^{at_2/(-\gamma_1)})^{-\gamma_1} = g^{\gamma_2 - \alpha_1 \gamma_1} g^{at_2} = g^{\alpha_2} g^{at_2}, \\ L_2 &= L_{\text{cpa},2}^{-\gamma_1} = (g^{t_{\text{cpa},2}})^{-\gamma_1} = g^{t_2}, \\ K_{2,x} &= K_{\text{cpa},2,x}^{-\gamma_1} = (h_x^{t_{\text{cpa},2}})^{-\gamma_1} = h_x^{t_2}, x \in S. \end{aligned}$$

For the index 3 and 4, see Appendix B.

Claim 2 *$(e(g, g), e(g, g)^{\alpha_1}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_2}, \hat{Y}, \hat{Z}_1, \hat{Z}_2)$ is a twin Diffie-Hellman tuple if and only if $(e(g, g), e(g, g)^{\alpha_1 \tau} e(g, g)^{\alpha_3}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_2 \tau} e(g, g)^{\alpha_4}, e(C', g), d_1, d_2)$ is a twin Diffie-Hellman tuple.*

Proof. This claim can be proved by a short calculation. See Appendix C.

Claim 3 *If $(e(g, g), e(g, g)^{\alpha_1}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_2}, \hat{Y}, \hat{Z}_1, \hat{Z}_2)$ is a twin Diffie-Hellman tuple, then $(\hat{Y}, \hat{Z}_1, \hat{Z}_2)$ certainly passes the TWINDH-TEST: $\hat{Z}_1^{\gamma_1} \hat{Z}_2 = \hat{Y}^{\gamma_2}$.*

Proof. This claim is a direct consequence of Lemma 1. □

Claim 4 *Consider the following event which we name as OVERLOOK_i :*

In the i -th TWINDH-TEST, the following condition holds:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \hat{Z}_1^{\gamma_1} \hat{Z}_2 = \hat{Y}^{\gamma_2} \text{ holds and} \\ (e(g, g), e(g, g)^{\alpha_1}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_2}, \hat{Y}, \hat{Z}_1, \hat{Z}_2) \text{ is NOT a twin DH tuple.} \end{array} \right.$$

Then, for at most q_d times decapsulation queries of \mathcal{A} , the probability that at least one OVERLOOK_i occurs is negligible in λ . More precisely, the following inequality holds:

$$\Pr\left[\bigvee_{i=1}^{q_d} \text{OVERLOOK}_i\right] \leq q_d/p. \quad (2)$$

Proof. To apply Lemma 2, we construct an algorithm $\text{Cheat}_{\lambda, \mathcal{U}}$ with unbounded computational power, which takes as input $(e(g, g), e(g, g)^{\alpha_1}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_2})$ and returns $(\hat{Y}, \hat{Z}_1, \hat{Z}_2)$ employing the adversary \mathcal{A} as a subroutine. Fig. 1 shows the construction.

First, note that the view of \mathcal{A} in $\text{Cheat}_{\lambda, \mathcal{U}}$ is the same as the real view of \mathcal{A} and hence the algorithm \mathcal{A} works as designed.

Second, note that the return $(\hat{Y}, \hat{Z}_1, \hat{Z}_2)$ of $\text{Cheat}_{\lambda, \mathcal{U}}$ is randomized in TABLE. Hence:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{q_d} \frac{1}{q_d} \Pr[\text{OVERLOOK}_i] = \frac{1}{q_d} \sum_{i=1}^{q_d} \Pr[\text{OVERLOOK}_i] = \mathbf{Adv}_{\text{Cheat}_{\lambda, \mathcal{U}}, \mathbb{G}}^{\text{twinDH-test}}(\lambda). \quad (3)$$

Third, applying Lemma 2 to $\text{Cheat}_{\lambda, \mathcal{U}}$, we get:

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\text{Cheat}_{\lambda, \mathcal{U}}, \mathbb{G}}^{\text{twinDH-test}}(\lambda) \leq 1/p. \quad (4)$$

Combining (3) and (4), we have:

$$\Pr\left[\bigvee_{i=1}^{q_d} \text{OVERLOOK}_i\right] \leq \sum_{i=1}^{q_d} \Pr[\text{OVERLOOK}_i] \leq q_d \mathbf{Adv}_{\text{Cheat}_{\lambda, \mathcal{U}}, \mathbb{G}}^{\text{twinDH-test}}(\lambda) \leq \frac{q_d}{p}. \quad \square$$

Given $(e(g, g), e(g, g)^{\alpha_1}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_2})$ as input :

Set up

Initialize the inner state and put $\text{TABLE} = \phi$;
 Get a target access structure $\mathbb{A}^* \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(\lambda, \mathcal{U})$;
 Compute the base $g \in \mathbb{G}$ from $(e(g, g), e)$;
 Pick up $a \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ and $h_1, \dots, h_u \in \mathbb{G}$;
 Put $\text{PK}_{\text{cpa}} = (g, g^a, h_1, \dots, h_u, e(g, g)^{\alpha_1})$;
 Get $(\kappa^*, \psi_{\text{cpa}}^*) \leftarrow \mathbf{Encap}_{\text{cpa}}(\text{PK}_{\text{cpa}}, \mathbb{A}^*)$;
 Pick up $\eta \leftarrow \text{HKey}(\lambda)$ and compute $\tau^* \leftarrow H_\eta(\psi_{\text{cpa}}^*)$;
 Compute discrete logarithms $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ of $e(g, g)^{\alpha_1}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_2}$ to the base $e(g, g)$;
 Pick up $\mu_1, \mu_2 \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p$ and put $\alpha_3 = \mu_1 - \alpha_1 \tau^*, \alpha_4 = \mu_2 - \alpha_2 \tau^*$;
 Put $\text{PK} = (\text{PK}_{\text{cpa}}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_2}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_3}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_4}, \eta)$, $\text{MSK} = (g^{\alpha_1}, g^{\alpha_2}, g^{\alpha_3}, g^{\alpha_4})$;
 Give PK to \mathcal{A} ;

Phase 1

In the case that \mathcal{A} makes a key-extraction query for $S \subset \mathcal{U}$;
 Reply SK_S to \mathcal{A} in the same way as **KeyGen** does using MSK ;
 In the case that \mathcal{A} makes a decapsulation query for $(\mathbb{A}, \psi = (\psi_{\text{cpa}}, d_1, d_2), S)$;
 Reply $\hat{\kappa}$ to \mathcal{A} in the same way as **Decap** does using MSK ;
 Compute $\hat{Y} = e(C', g)^{\tau - \tau^*}, \hat{Z}_1 = d_1 / e(C', g)^{\mu_1}, \hat{Z}_2 = d_2 / e(C', g)^{\mu_2}$;
 Update $\text{TABLE} = \text{TABLE} \cup (\hat{Y}, \hat{Z}_1, \hat{Z}_2)$;

Challenge

In the case that \mathcal{A} makes a challenge instance query;
 Put $d_1^* = e(C'^*, g)^{\mu_1}, d_2^* = e(C'^*, g)^{\mu_2}, \psi^* = (\psi_{\text{cpa}}^*, d_1^*, d_2^*)$;
 Pick up $\kappa \leftarrow \text{KeySp}(\lambda), b \leftarrow \{0, 1\}$;
 If $b = 1$ then put $\tilde{\kappa} = \kappa^*$ else put $\tilde{\kappa} = \kappa$;
 Reply $(\tilde{\kappa}, \psi^*)$ to \mathcal{A} ;

Phase 2

The same as in Phase 1;

Return

In the case that \mathcal{A} returns its guess b^* ;
 Choose one triple $(\hat{Y}, \hat{Z}_1, \hat{Z}_2)$ from TABLE at random;
 Return $(\hat{Y}, \hat{Z}_1, \hat{Z}_2)$.

Fig. 1. An Algorithm $\text{Cheat}_{\lambda, \mathcal{U}}$ with Unbounded Computational Power for a Proof of Claim 4.

Claim 5 *The probability that OVERLOOK_i never occurs in TWINDH-TEST for each i and ABORT occurs is negligible in λ . More precisely, the following inequality holds:*

$$\Pr\left[\left(\bigwedge_{i=1}^{q_d} \neg \text{OVERLOOK}_i\right) \wedge \text{ABORT}\right] \leq \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{CF}, \text{Hfam}}^{\text{tcr}}(\lambda). \quad (5)$$

Proof. This claim is proved by constructing a collision finder \mathcal{CF} on Hfam . See Appendix D.

Claim 6 *The reply $\hat{\kappa}$ to \mathcal{A} as an answer for a decapsulation query is correct.*

Claim 7 *The challenge instance $\psi^* = (\psi_{\text{cpa}}^*, d_1^*, d_2^*)$ is correctly distributed.*

Proof. These claims are proved by a direct calculation. See Appendices E and F, respectively.

Now we are ready to evaluate the advantage of \mathcal{B} in the IND-sel-CPA game. That \mathcal{A} wins in the IND-sel-CCA game means that $(\tilde{\kappa}, \psi^* = (\psi_{\text{cpa}}^*, d_1^*, d_2^*))$ is correctly guessed. This is equivalent to that $(\tilde{\kappa}, \psi_{\text{cpa}}^*)$ is correctly guessed because ψ_{cpa}^* determines the consistent blinding factor $\kappa^* = e(g, g)^{\alpha_s^*}$ uniquely. This means that \mathcal{B} wins in the IND-sel-CPA game.

Therefore, the probability that \mathcal{B} wins is equal to the probability that \mathcal{A} wins, OVERLOOK_i never holds in TWINDH-TEST for each i and ABORT never occurs. So we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
\Pr[\mathcal{B} \text{ wins}] &= \Pr[(\mathcal{A} \text{ wins}) \wedge \left(\bigwedge_{i=1}^{q_d} \neg \text{OVERLOOK}_i\right) \wedge (\neg \text{ABORT})] \\
&= \Pr[\mathcal{A} \text{ wins}] - \Pr[(\mathcal{A} \text{ wins}) \wedge \neg \left(\left(\bigwedge_{i=1}^{q_d} \neg \text{OVERLOOK}_i\right) \wedge (\neg \text{ABORT})\right)] \\
&\geq \Pr[\mathcal{A} \text{ wins}] - \Pr[\neg \left(\left(\bigwedge_{i=1}^{q_d} \neg \text{OVERLOOK}_i\right) \wedge (\neg \text{ABORT})\right)] \\
&= \Pr[\mathcal{A} \text{ wins}] - \left(\Pr\left[\bigvee_{i=1}^{q_d} \text{OVERLOOK}_i\right] + \Pr\left[\left(\bigwedge_{i=1}^{q_d} \neg \text{OVERLOOK}_i\right) \wedge \text{ABORT}\right]\right).
\end{aligned}$$

Substituting (2), (5) and advantages into the above, we have:

$$\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}, \text{CP-ABKEM}_{\text{cpa}}}^{\text{ind-sel-cpa}}(\lambda, \mathcal{U}) \geq \text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}, \text{CP-ABKEM}}^{\text{ind-sel-cca}}(\lambda, \mathcal{U}) - \frac{q_d}{p} - \text{Adv}_{\mathcal{CF}, \text{Hfam}}^{\text{tcr}}(\lambda). \quad \square$$

3.3 Discussion

Encryption Version. It is straightforward to construct our encryption scheme CP-ABE from CP-ABKEM . The IND-sel-CCA security of CP-ABE is proved based on IND-sel-CPA security of the Waters $\text{KEM CP-ABKEM}_{\text{cpa}}$. See Appendix G.

The Case of Adaptive Game on a Target Access Structure. Lewko, Okamoto, Sahai, Takashima and Waters [LOS⁺10] converted the Waters scheme [Wat11] into the one that attain the security against adversary's adaptive choice of a target access structure.

We can apply the same conversion as in Section 3.1 to their scheme [LOS⁺10]. In addition, the IND-CCA security of their scheme can be proved along the way as in Section 3.2, but in the *random oracle model* for the hash function H used in encapsulation and decapsulation.

4 Conclusions

We developed a technique of direct chosen-ciphertext security for ABE in the standard model in the case of the Waters scheme ($\text{CP-ABKEM}_{\text{cpa}}, \text{CP-ABE}_{\text{cpa}}$). We utilized the Twin Diffie-Hellman Trapdoor Test of Cash, Kiltz and Shoup and the algebraic trick of Boneh and Boyen [BB04] and Kiltz [Kil06]. Our technique is helpful when a Diffie-Hellman tuple to be verified is in a terminal group of a bilinear map. It results in expansion of secret key length and decryption cost of computation by a factor of four, while public key length, ciphertext length and encryption cost of computation are almost the same as those of the Waters.

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Appendix

A Proof of Lemma 2

Only one point to be complemented to the original proof (in [CKS08]) is that even for any algorithm \mathcal{A} with unbounded computational power, the statement holds. This is because, conditioning on input fixed values (g, X_1, X_2) , \mathcal{A} at most reduces two-dimensional freedom $(r, s) \in \mathbb{Z}_p^2$ into one-dimensional freedom $r \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ even if \mathcal{A} correctly guesses the relation $s = rx_1 + x_2$. \square

B Proof of Claim 1

For the index 3, we have implicitly set $t_3 = t_{\text{cpa},3}(-\tau^*)$ and we get:

$$\begin{aligned} K_3 &= g^{\mu_1} K_{\text{cpa},3}^{-\tau^*} = g^{\mu_1} (g^{\alpha_1} g^{at_{\text{cpa},3}})^{-\tau^*} = g^{\mu_1 - \alpha_1 \tau^*} g^{at_3} = g^{\alpha_3} g^{at_3}, \\ L_3 &= L_{\text{cpa},3}^{-\tau^*} = (g^{t_{\text{cpa},3}})^{-\tau^*} = g^{t_3}, \\ K_{3,x} &= K_{\text{cpa},3,x}^{-\tau^*} = (h_x^{t_{\text{cpa},3}})^{-\tau^*} = h_x^{t_3}, x \in S. \end{aligned}$$

For the index 4, we have implicitly set $t_4 = t_{\text{cpa},4}(\gamma_1 \tau^*)$ and we get:

$$\begin{aligned} K_4 &= g^{\mu_2 - \gamma_2 \tau^*} K_{\text{cpa},4}^{\gamma_1 \tau^*} = g^{\mu_2 - \gamma_2 \tau^*} (g^{\alpha_1} g^{at_{\text{cpa},4}})^{\gamma_1 \tau^*} = g^{\mu_2 - \gamma_2 \tau^*} g^{\alpha_1 \gamma_1 \tau^*} g^{at_4} \\ &= g^{\mu_2 - (\gamma_2 - \alpha_1 \gamma_1) \tau^*} g^{at_4} = g^{\mu_2 - \alpha_2 \tau^*} g^{at_4} = g^{\alpha_4} g^{at_4}, \\ L_4 &= L_{\text{cpa},4}^{\gamma_1 \tau^*} = (g^{t_{\text{cpa},4}})^{\gamma_1 \tau^*} = g^{t_4}, \\ K_{4,x} &= K_{\text{cpa},4,x}^{\gamma_1 \tau^*} = (h_x^{t_{\text{cpa},4}})^{\gamma_1 \tau^*} = h_x^{t_4}, x \in S. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

C Proof of Claim 2

Suppose that we are given a twin DH tuple $(e(g, g), e(g, g)^{\alpha_1}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_2}, \hat{Y}, \hat{Z}_1, \hat{Z}_2)$. Then, $d_i / e(C', g)^{\mu_i} = (e(g, g)^{\alpha_i})^{s(\tau - \tau^*)}$, $i = 1, 2$. So, using the implicit relations (1), we have:

$$\begin{aligned} d_i &= e(g, g)^{\alpha_i s(\tau - \tau^*)} e(g^s, g)^{\mu_i} \\ &= (e(g, g)^{\alpha_i(\tau - \tau^*)} e(g, g)^{\mu_i})^s \\ &= (e(g, g)^{\alpha_i(\tau - \tau^*)} e(g, g)^{\alpha_i \tau^* + \alpha_{(i+2)}})^s \\ &= (e(g, g)^{\alpha_i \tau} e(g, g)^{\alpha_{(i+2)}})^s, i = 1, 2. \end{aligned}$$

This means that $(e(g, g), e(g, g)^{\alpha_1 \tau} e(g, g)^{\alpha_3}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_2 \tau} e(g, g)^{\alpha_4}, e(C', g), d_1, d_2)$ is a twin Diffie-Hellman tuple.

The converse is also verified by the reverse calculation. \square

D Proof of Claim 5

To reduce to the target collision resistance of an employed hash function family $Hfam$, we construct a PPT target collision finder \mathcal{CF} that attacks $Hfam$ using \mathcal{A} as a subroutine. The construction is shown in Fig.2. (Remark that the case COLLISION is defined in Fig.2.)

Note that the view of \mathcal{A} in \mathcal{CF} is the same as the real view of \mathcal{A} until the case COLLISION occurs and hence the algorithm \mathcal{A} works as designed.

Given λ as input :

Set up
Initialize inner state;
Choose a polynomial size attribute universe \mathcal{U} at random;
Get a target access structure $\mathbb{A}^* \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(\lambda, \mathcal{U})$;
Run **Setup**_{cpa}(λ, \mathcal{U}) to get $(p, \mathbb{G}, \mathbb{G}_T, g, e), \text{PK}_{\text{cpa}}, \text{MSK}_{\text{cpa}}$;
Get $(\kappa^*, \psi_{\text{cpa}}^*) \leftarrow \mathbf{Encap}_{\text{cpa}}(\text{PK}_{\text{cpa}}, \mathbb{A}^*)$;
Output ψ_{cpa}^* ;
Receive, in return, $\eta \leftarrow \text{HKey}(\lambda)$ and compute $\tau^* \leftarrow H_\eta(\psi_{\text{cpa}}^*)$;
Pick up $\alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4 \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_p$;
Put $\text{PK} = (\text{PK}_{\text{cpa}}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_2}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_3}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_4}, \eta)$, $\text{MSK} = (g^{\alpha_1}, g^{\alpha_2}, g^{\alpha_3}, g^{\alpha_4})$;
Give PK to \mathcal{A} ;

Phase 1
In the case that \mathcal{A} makes a key-extraction query for $S \subset \mathcal{U}$;
Reply SK_S to \mathcal{A} in the same way as **KeyGen** does using MSK;
In the case that \mathcal{A} makes a decapsulation query for $(S, \psi = (\psi_{\text{cpa}}, d_1, d_2))$;
Reply $\hat{\kappa}$ to \mathcal{A} in the same way as **Decap** does using MSK;
If $\hat{\kappa} \neq \perp$ and $\tau = \tau^*$ (: call this case COLLISION)
then return ψ_{cpa} and stop;

Challenge
In the case that \mathcal{A} makes a challenge instance query;
Using MSK, put $d_1^* = e(g^{\alpha_1}, C'^*)^{\tau^*} e(g^{\alpha_3}, C'^*)$, $d_2^* = e(g^{\alpha_2}, C'^*)^{\tau^*} e(g^{\alpha_4}, C'^*)$,
 $\psi^* = (\psi_{\text{cpa}}^*, d_1^*, d_2^*)$;
Pick up $\kappa \leftarrow \text{KeySp}(\lambda)$, $b \leftarrow \{0, 1\}$;
If $b = 1$ then put $\tilde{\kappa} = \kappa^*$ else put $\tilde{\kappa} = \kappa$;
Reply $(\tilde{\kappa}, \psi^*)$ to \mathcal{A} ;

Phase 2
The same as in Phase 1;

Return
In the case that \mathcal{A} returns its guess b^* ;
Stop.

Fig. 2. A PPT Collision Finder \mathcal{CF} that attacks $Hfam$ for the proof of Claim 5.

To evaluate the probability in Claim 5, we consider the following two cases.

Case 1: the case that **ABORT** ($\tau = \tau^*$) occurs in \mathcal{B} in Phase 1. In this case, the target τ^* has not been given to \mathcal{A} . So \mathcal{A} needs to guess τ^* to cause a collision $\tau = \tau^*$. Hence:

$$\Pr[\text{Phase 1} \wedge \left(\bigwedge_{i=1}^{q_d} \neg \text{OVERLOOK}_i \right) \wedge \text{ABORT}] \leq \Pr[\text{Phase 1} \wedge \text{COLLISION}]. \quad (6)$$

Case 2: the case that **ABORT** ($\tau = \tau^*$) occurs in \mathcal{B} in Phase 2. In this case, if, in addition to $\tau = \tau^*$, it occurred that $\psi_{\text{cpa}} = \psi_{\text{cpa}}^*$ (and hence $C' = C'^*$), then it would occur that $\psi = \psi^*$. This is because the following two tuples are equal twin DH tuples by the fact that OVERLOOK_i never occurs:

$$\begin{aligned} & (e(g, g), e(g, g)^{\alpha_1 \tau} e(g, g)^{\alpha_3}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_2 \tau} e(g, g)^{\alpha_4}, e(C', g), d_1, d_2), \\ & (e(g, g), e(g, g)^{\alpha_1 \tau^*} e(g, g)^{\alpha_3}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_2 \tau^*} e(g, g)^{\alpha_4}, e(C'^*, g), d_1^*, d_2^*). \end{aligned}$$

Hence both $S \in \mathbb{A}$ and $\psi = \psi^*$ would occur. This is ruled out in decapsulation query; a contradiction. So we have $\psi_{\text{cpa}} \neq \psi_{\text{cpa}}^*$; that is, a collision:

$$\psi_{\text{cpa}} \neq \psi_{\text{cpa}}^* \wedge H_\eta(\psi_{\text{cpa}}) = \tau = \tau^* = H_\eta(\psi_{\text{cpa}}^*).$$

Therefore, if OVERLOOK_i never occurs for each i , then only decapsulation queries for which $(e(g, g), e(g, g)^{\alpha_1}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_2}, \hat{Y}, \hat{Z}_1, \hat{Z}_2)$ are certainly twin DH tuples have the chance to cause a collision $\tau = \tau^*$,

as is the case in \mathcal{CF} . Hence we have:

$$\Pr[\text{Phase 2} \wedge \left(\bigwedge_{i=1}^{q_d} \neg \text{OVERLOOK}_i\right) \wedge \text{ABORT}] \leq \Pr[\text{Phase 2} \wedge \text{COLLISION}]. \quad (7)$$

Taking a sum of both sides of (6) and (7), we get:

$$\Pr\left[\left(\bigwedge_{i=1}^{q_d} \neg \text{OVERLOOK}_i\right) \wedge \text{ABORT}\right] \leq \Pr[\text{COLLISION}] = \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{CF}, \text{Hfam}}^{\text{ctr}}(\lambda). \quad \square \quad (8)$$

E Proof of Claim 6

It is enough to prove that

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{When } (e(g, g), e(g, g)^{\alpha_1}, e(g, g)^{\alpha_2}, \hat{Y}, \hat{Z}_1, \hat{Z}_2) \text{ is a twin DH tuple,} \\ &\hat{\kappa} = \hat{Z}_1^{1/(\tau-\tau^*)} = e(g, g)^{\alpha_1 s} \text{ holds.} \end{aligned}$$

This is deduced as follows:

$$\hat{\kappa} = (d_1/e(C', g)^{\mu_1})^{1/(\tau-\tau^*)} = ((e(g, g)^{\alpha_1})^{s(\tau-\tau^*)})^{1/(\tau-\tau^*)} = e(g, g)^{\alpha_1 s}. \quad \square$$

F Proof of Claim 7

A direct calculation with equalities (1) shows:

$$d_i^* = e(C'^*, g)^{\mu_i} = e(g, g)^{s^*(\alpha_i \tau^* + \alpha_{(i+2)})} = e(g, g)^{\alpha_i s^* \tau^*} e(g, g)^{\alpha_{(i+2)} s^*}, i = 1, 2.$$

Hence $\psi^* = (\psi_{\text{cpa}}^*, d_1^*, d_2^*)$ is legitimate and correctly distributed. \square

G Our Ciphertext-Policy Attribute-Based Encryption Scheme

In this section, we describe our CP-ABE. Only differences between CP-ABKEM and CP-ABE are stated below.

G.1 Our Construction

Setup(λ, \mathcal{U}). The same as Setup of CP-ABKEM.

Encrypt(PK, \mathbb{A}, m). The same as Encap of CP-ABKEM except that Encrypt multiplies m by the blinding factor κ in the group \mathbb{G}_T . Encrypt returns $\text{CT} = (C = m\kappa, \psi = (C', ((C_i, D_i); i = 1, \dots, l), d_1, d_2))$.

KeyGen(MSK, PK, S). The same as KeyGen of CP-ABKEM.

Decrypt($\text{PK}, \text{CT}, \text{SK}_S$). The same as Decap of CP-ABKEM except that Decrypt divides out C by the decapsulated blinding factor $\hat{\kappa}$. Decrypt returns the result \hat{m} .

G.2 Security and its Proof

Theorem 2 *If the Waters CP-ABKEM_{cpa} [Wat11] is selectively secure against chosen-plaintext attacks and an employed hash function family Hfam has target collision resistance, then our CP-ABE is selectively secure against chosen-ciphertext attacks. More precisely, for any given PPT adversary \mathcal{A} that attacks CP-ABE in the IND-sel-CCA game where decryption queries are at most q_d times, and for any attribute universe \mathcal{U} , there exist a PPT adversary \mathcal{B} that attacks CP-ABKEM_{cpa} in the IND-sel-CPA game and a PPT target collision finder \mathcal{CF} on Hfam that satisfy the following inequality.*

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}, \text{CP-ABE}}^{\text{ind-sel-cca}}(\lambda, \mathcal{U}) \leq 2(\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}, \text{CP-ABKEM}_{\text{cpa}}}^{\text{ind-sel-cpa}}(\lambda, \mathcal{U}) + \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{CF}, \text{Hfam}}^{\text{tcr}}(\lambda) + \frac{q_d}{p}).$$

Proof. Given any adversary \mathcal{A} that attacks our scheme CP-ABE in the IND-sel-CCA game, we construct an adversary \mathcal{B} that attacks the Waters KEM CP-ABKEM_{cpa} in the IND-sel-CPA game as follows.

Commit a Target Access Structure. The same as that of CP-ABKEM.

Set up. In return to outputting \mathbb{A}^* , \mathcal{B} receives the public key PK_{cpa} for CP-ABKEM_{cpa}. To set up a public key PK for CP-ABE, \mathcal{B} herein needs a challenge instance: \mathcal{B} queries its challenger and gets a challenge instance $(\tilde{\kappa}, \psi_{\text{cpa}}^*)$. The rest of procedure is the same as that of CP-ABKEM, and \mathcal{B} inputs PK into \mathcal{A} .

Phase 1. The same as that of CP-ABKEM except that \mathcal{B} replies a decrypted message \hat{m} to \mathcal{A} for a decryption query.

Challenge. In the case that \mathcal{A} submits two plaintexts (m_0^*, m_1^*) of equal length, \mathcal{B} makes a challenge ciphertext CT^* as follows and feeds CT^* to \mathcal{A} .

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Pick up } b' \leftarrow \{0, 1\} \text{ and put } \tilde{C}^* = m_{b'}^* \tilde{\kappa}; \\ &\text{Put } d_1^* = e(C'^*, g)^{\mu_1}, d_2^* = e(C'^*, g)^{\mu_2}; \\ &\text{Put } \text{CT}^* = (\tilde{C}^*, \psi^* = (\psi_{\text{cpa}}^*, d_1^*, d_2^*)). \end{aligned}$$

Phase 2. The same as in Phase 1.

Guess. In the case that \mathcal{A} returns \mathcal{A} 's guess \tilde{b} , \mathcal{B} returns \tilde{b} as \mathcal{B} 's guess.

Evaluation of the Advantage of \mathcal{B} . A standard argument deduces a loss of tightness by a factor of 1/2. That is;

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}, \text{CP-ABKEM}_{\text{cpa}}}^{\text{ind-sel-cpa}}(\lambda, \mathcal{U}) \geq \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}, \text{CP-ABE}}^{\text{ind-sel-cca}}(\lambda, \mathcal{U}) - \frac{q_d}{p} - \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{CF}, \text{Hfam}}^{\text{tcr}}(\lambda). \quad \square$$

H Target Collision Resistant Hash Functions

Target collision resistant (TCR) hash functions [NY89] are treated as a family. Let us denote a function family as $\text{Hfam}(\lambda) = \{H_\mu\}_{\mu \in \text{HKey}(\lambda)}$. Here $\text{HKey}(\lambda)$ is a hash key space, $\mu \in \text{HKey}(\lambda)$ is a hash key and H_μ is a function from $\{0, 1\}^*$ to $\{0, 1\}^\lambda$. We may assume that H_μ is from $\{0, 1\}^*$ to \mathbb{Z}_p , where p is a prime of length λ .

Given a PPT algorithm \mathcal{CF} , a collision finder, we consider the following experiment (the target collision resistance game).

Experiment $_{\mathcal{CF}, Hfam}^{tcr}(\lambda)$
 $m^* \leftarrow \mathcal{CF}(\lambda), \mu \leftarrow HKey(\lambda), m \leftarrow \mathcal{CF}(\mu)$
 If $m^* \neq m \wedge H_\mu(m^*) = H_\mu(m)$ then return WIN else return LOSE.

Then we define \mathcal{CF} 's advantage over $Hfam$ in the game of target collision resistance as follows.

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{CF}, Hfam}^{tcr}(\lambda) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \Pr[\mathbf{Experiment}_{\mathcal{CF}, Hfam}^{tcr}(\lambda) \text{ returns WIN}].$$

We say that $Hfam$ is a *TCR function family* if, for any PPT algorithm \mathcal{CF} , $\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{CF}, Hfam}^{tcr}(\lambda)$ is negligible in λ .

TCR hash function families can be constructed based on the existence of a one-way function [NY89].