

Unbounded Inner Product Functional Encryption, with Succinct Keys

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Abstract. In 2015, Abdalla *et al.* introduced Inner Product Functional Encryption, where both ciphertexts and decryption keys are vectors of fixed size n , and keys enable the computation of an inner product between the two. In practice, however, the size of the data parties are dealing with may vary over time. Having a public key of size n can also be inconvenient when dealing with very large vectors.

We define the Unbounded Inner Product functionality in the context of Public-Key Functional Encryption, and introduce the first scheme that realizes it under standard assumptions. In an Unbounded Inner Product Functional Encryption scheme, a public key allows anyone to encrypt *unbounded vectors*, that are essentially mappings from \mathbb{N}^* to \mathbb{Z}_p . The owner of the master secret key can generate functional decryption keys for other unbounded vectors. These keys enable one to evaluate the inner product between the unbounded vector underlying the ciphertext and the unbounded vector in the functional decryption key, provided certain conditions on the two vectors are met. We build Unbounded Inner Product Functional Encryption by introducing pairings, using a technique similar to that of Boneh-Franklin Identity-Based Encryption. A byproduct of this is that our scheme can be made Identity-Based "for free". It is also the first Public-Key Inner Product Functional Encryption Scheme with a constant size public key (and master secret key).

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1 Introduction

Functional Encryption (FE) [8, 10, 13, 17] is a new paradigm for encryption that does away with the “all-or-nothing” requirement of traditional Public-Key Encryption. FE allows users to learn specific functions of the encrypted data: for any function f from a class \mathcal{F} , a functional decryption key dk_f can be computed such that, given any ciphertext c with underlying plaintext x , using dk_f , a user can efficiently compute $f(x)$, but does not get any additional information about x . This is the most general form of encryption as it encompasses identity-based encryption, attribute-based encryption, broadcast encryption.

FE schemes for general functionalities have been introduced [4, 5, 12–14, 16, 18] but have thus far always been based on non-standard assumptions such as indistinguishability obfuscation or multilinear maps.

Inner-Product Functional Encryption. In 2015, Abdalla, Bourse, De Caro, and Pointcheval [1] (ABDP) suggested it might be worthwhile to instead give FE schemes for more restricted functionalities, but with reasonable efficiency and security proofs relying on better understood assumptions. They built FE schemes for the Inner Product functionality which they proved selectively secure under the Decisional Diffie-Hellman and Learning-with-Errors assumptions. There are now variants with adaptive security [3].

1.1 Motivation

Inner Product Functional Encryption (IPFE) enables many interesting applications, such as the computation of aggregate statistics or the evaluation of regression models, but, unfortunately, it until now required that the data being processed have a fixed size. The public and secret keys also scale with this size, which can prove an inconvenience. We would like to construct schemes in which the public key is of constant, small size (ideally, a single group element), but where encrypting large vectors—in fact, arbitrarily large vectors—remains possible.

Let us go back to one of the motivating examples of IPFE: that of a school encrypting all the grades of each student, by discipline, as part of a single ciphertext every quarter. An authority can then distribute keys that enable one to compute a specific student’s average grade (weighted by coefficients or by class hours), or the average over a class. It can also give keys that reveal the average grade in Mathematics or in Physics, always without jeopardizing the confidentiality of individual data, beyond what one can learn about the individuals from their aggregate. Now assume that a new student joins the school from one quarter to another. We would like to avoid the school having to query the authority for a new, readjusted public key (or for an extension of the current one). Whether the old keys should still work on the new, larger ciphertexts is to be decided on a case by case basis, and justifies our introducing multiple definitions.

1.2 Our Results

We introduce the first Unbounded Inner-Product Functional Encryption schemes. Both schemes share the following features:

1. **Unboundedness:** They enable the encryption of, and the generation of functional decryption keys for, unbounded vectors.
2. **Succinct public and master secret key:** In both cases the master secret key is a single secret scalar $s \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, and the public key is a corresponding group element $g_1^s \in \mathbb{G}_1$.

3. **Identity-Based Access Control:** We consider both the computation on encrypted data aspect and the access control aspect of FE by letting users specify an identity in their ciphertext. The master authority gives functional decryption keys that limit evaluations of the unbounded inner product to ciphertexts of a given identity. This only expands the possible applications of our schemes, as the naive behavior can always be achieved by using the constant null identity.

Our main scheme is:

1. **Strict:** It only allows decryption when the domain of the ciphertext matches that of the key. In a sense, it may thus be thought of as operating infinitely many IPFE schemes in parallel.
2. **Selectively secure under a standard assumption:** We prove the security of our first scheme under the BDDH assumption, in the random oracle model.

We also introduce a scheme which is:

1. **Permissive:** It allows decryption when the support of the key (see Section 3.3) is included in the domain of the ciphertext.
2. **Selectively secure:** We prove the security of our second scheme in the random oracle model under ℓ eBDDH, an interactive assumption we introduce. It resembles the BDDH assumption, except for the fact that the adversary can query linear combinations that depend on the CDH of the elements of one group, on condition that they never fully reveal it.

1.3 Related Work: Private-Key Multi-Input Inner Product Functional Encryption for Unboundedly Many Inputs

Goldwasser *et al.* [11] introduced the notion of Multi-Input Functional Encryption for cases where we want the functions being evaluated on encrypted data to take multiple inputs, with each input corresponding to a different ciphertext. Abdalla *et al.* gave the first construction of Multi Input Functional Encryption for Inner Products [2], and Datta, Okamoto and Tomida [9] recently showed how to achieve what they call *Unbounded Private-Key Multi-Input Inner Product Functional Encryption*. While this is an important result, we must stress that they tackle a problem which significantly differs from ours: they encrypt vectors of constant size, and the Unbounded adjective applies to the number of inputs: they can generate keys which enable the evaluation of an inner product on a number of ciphertexts (inputs) which is not *a priori* bounded, while in our work it is the individual ciphertext (input) which has unbounded length. A perhaps more striking difference is that their scheme is Private-Key, with the encryption procedure requiring the master secret key, while we tackle the Public-Key setting.

1.4 Paper Organization

In Section 2, we define unbounded vectors, inner products between them and a pseudo-norm on them. We also recall the setting of pairing groups and the BDDH

assumption. Section 3 defines FE, its security, and the different functionalities we are interested in. We build the first Strict Identity-Based Unbounded IPFE from standard assumptions in Section 4, and prove it selectively secure in the random oracle model under the BDDH assumption. Finally, in Section 5, we give a construction for Permissive Identity-Based Unbounded IPFE which we prove selectively secure in the random oracle model under an interactive variant of BDDH.

2 Notations

2.1 Unbounded Vectors

Both the plaintexts we are encrypting and the functions for which we will be generating keys will be referred to as unbounded vectors or lists. We write them as $\mathbf{x} = (x_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}}$ or $\mathbf{y} = (y_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}'}$, respectively, where both \mathcal{D} and \mathcal{D}' are finite subsets of \mathbb{N}^* , and $x_i, y_j \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ for $i \in \mathcal{D}, j \in \mathcal{D}'$. The vectors \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} are thus mappings from \mathbb{N}^* to \mathbb{Z}_p , and \mathcal{D} (resp. \mathcal{D}') is the explicit domain of \mathbf{x} (resp. \mathbf{y}). When the context is clear, we will sometimes assimilate the vector space $\{(z_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}} | z_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p\}$ and the isomorphic space \mathbb{Z}_p^n where $n = |\mathcal{D}|$, the latter being more convenient for discussing changes of bases.

Inner products. For $\mathbf{x} = (x_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}}$ and $\mathbf{y} = (y_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}'}$ we define the inner product as:

$$\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D} \cap \mathcal{D}'} x_i y_i.$$

This comes from the fact that for indices $i \notin \mathcal{D}$, implicitly $x_i = 0$.

2.2 (Pseudo)Norm

Our proofs will require that given $\mathbf{x}^b \in \mathbb{Z}_p^n$ for $b \in \{0, 1\}$ with $\mathbf{x}^0 \neq \mathbf{x}^1$ (with the same domain) and $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{Z}_p^n$, if we pick a basis $(\mathbf{z}_1, \dots, \mathbf{z}_{n-1})$ of $(\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1)^\perp$ and use ζ to denote the coefficient of $(\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1)$ in the decomposition of \mathbf{y} in basis $(\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1, \mathbf{z}_1, \dots, \mathbf{z}_{n-1})$,

$$\langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^0 \rangle = \langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^1 \rangle \implies \zeta = 0.$$

This is not true in general. From $\langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^0 \rangle = \langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x}^1 \rangle$ we can deduce that $\zeta \cdot \langle \mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1, \mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1 \rangle = 0$, but we can only conclude if $\langle \mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1, \mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1 \rangle \neq 0 \pmod p$. Previous works achieve this by bounding the individual components of \mathbf{x}^0 and \mathbf{x}^1 , but this is not sufficient for unbounded vectors since we do not know n *a priori*. Instead, for any $\mathbf{x} = (x_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}}$ we define

$$\|\mathbf{x}\| = \min_{\{(x'_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}} \in \mathbb{Z}^{\mathcal{D}} | x'_i \equiv x_i \pmod p \ \forall i \in \mathcal{D}\}} \sqrt{\sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}} x_i'^2}$$

where squaring and summation take place in \mathbb{Z} . It is easy to verify that for all vectors \mathbf{a} and \mathbf{b} , $\|\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}\| \leq \|\mathbf{a}\| + \|\mathbf{b}\|$ and $\|\mathbf{a}\| = 0 \implies \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}$ in \mathbb{Z}_p^n . We will always require that plaintext vectors being encrypted verify $\|\mathbf{x}\| < \frac{\sqrt{p}}{2}$, so that

$$\|\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1\|^2 \leq (\|\mathbf{x}^0\| + \|\mathbf{x}^1\|)^2 < \left(\frac{\sqrt{p}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{p}}{2}\right)^2 \leq p$$

and since $\langle \mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1, \mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1 \rangle = 0 \pmod p \iff \|\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1\|^2 = 0 \pmod p$ that would imply $\|\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1\|^2 = 0$ and thus $\mathbf{x}^0 = \mathbf{x}^1$ in \mathbb{Z}_p^n , which would contradict our assumption.

2.3 Pairing Group

We use a pairing group generator PGGen , a PPT algorithm that on input 1^λ returns a description $\mathcal{PG} = (\mathbb{G}_1, \mathbb{G}_2, p, P_1, P_2, e)$ of asymmetric pairing groups where $\mathbb{G}_1, \mathbb{G}_2, \mathbb{G}_T$ are additive cyclic groups of order p for a 2λ -bit prime p , P_1 and P_2 are generators of \mathbb{G}_1 and \mathbb{G}_2 , respectively, and $e : \mathbb{G}_1 \times \mathbb{G}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{G}_T$ is an efficiently computable (non-degenerate) bilinear map. Define $P_T := e(P_1, P_2)$, which is a generator of \mathbb{G}_T .

We always use implicit representation of group elements. For $s \in \{1, 2, T\}$ and $a \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, define $[a]_s = aP_s \in \mathbb{G}_s$ as the implicit representation of a in \mathbb{G}_s . Note that from a random $[a]_s \in \mathbb{G}_s$ it is generally hard to compute the value a (discrete logarithm problem in \mathbb{G}_s). Obviously, given $[a]_s, [b]_s \in \mathbb{G}_s$ and a scalar $x \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, one can efficiently compute $[ax]_s \in \mathbb{G}_s$ and $[a + b]_s = [a]_s + [b]_s \in \mathbb{G}_s$.

More generally, for $s \in \{1, 2, T\}$ and a matrix $\mathbf{A} = (a_{ij}) \in \mathbb{Z}_p^{n \times m}$ we define $[\mathbf{A}]_s$ as the implicit representation of \mathbf{A} in \mathbb{G}_s :

$$[\mathbf{A}]_s := \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}P_s & \dots & a_{1m}P_s \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{n1}P_s & \dots & a_{nm}P_s \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{G}_s^{n \times m}$$

Given $[a]_1, [a]_2$, one can efficiently compute $[ab]_T$ using the pairing e . For two matrices \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} with matching dimensions define $e([\mathbf{A}]_1, [\mathbf{B}]_2) := [\mathbf{AB}]_T \in \mathbb{G}_T$.

Using these notations, we can recall the seminal Bilinear Decisional Diffie-Hellman Assumption [7], adapted to the asymmetric setting:

Definition 1 (Bilinear Decisional Diffie-Hellman Assumption). *The Bilinear Decisional Diffie-Hellman (BDDH) Assumption in the asymmetric setting states that, in a pairing group $\mathcal{G} \xleftarrow{\$} \text{PGGen}(1^\lambda)$, no PPT adversary can distinguish between the two following distributions with non-negligible advantage, where $a, b, c, r \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{Z}_p$:*

$$\{([a]_1, [b]_1, [a]_2, [c]_2, [abc]_T)\} \text{ and } \{([a]_1, [b]_1, [a]_2, [c]_2, [r]_T)\}.$$

3 Definitions and Security Models

3.1 Functional Encryption

We give the definition of Functional Encryption as originally defined in [8, 15].

Definition 2 (Functional Encryption). A functional encryption scheme for a functionality $\mathcal{F} : \mathcal{K} \times \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Z}$ (where we require that the key space \mathcal{K} contains the empty key ϵ) is a tuple of PPT algorithms $\text{SetUp}, \text{KeyGen}, \text{Enc}, \text{Dec}$ defined as follows.

$\text{SetUp}(\lambda)$: takes as input a security parameter 1^λ and outputs a master secret key msk and a public key pk .

$\text{KeyGen}(\text{msk}, k)$: takes as input the master secret key and a key description $k \in \mathcal{K}$, and outputs a functional decryption key dk_k .

$\text{Encrypt}(\text{pk}, x)$: takes as input the public key pk and a message $x \in \mathcal{X}$, and outputs a ciphertext c .

$\text{Decrypt}(\text{dk}_k, c)$: takes as input a functional decryption key dk_k and a ciphertext c , and returns an output $y \in \mathcal{Z} \cup \{\perp\}$, where \perp is a special rejection symbol.

We implicitly assume that mpk is included in msk and in all the encryption keys ek_i as well as the functional decryption keys dk_k .

Correctness. The correctness property states that, given $(\text{pk}, \text{msk}) \leftarrow \text{SetUp}(\lambda)$, for any key description $k \in \mathcal{K}$ and any message $x \in \mathcal{X}$, if $c \leftarrow \text{Encrypt}(\text{pk}, x)$ and $\text{dk}_k \leftarrow \text{DKeyGen}(\text{msk}, k)$, then $\text{Decrypt}(\text{dk}_k, c) = F(k, x)$.

Security. For any stateful adversary \mathcal{A} , and any functional encryption scheme, we define the following advantage.

$$\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}}(\lambda) := \Pr \left[\begin{array}{l} (\text{pk}, \text{msk}) \leftarrow \text{SetUp}(1^\lambda) \\ (x_0, x_1) \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\text{KeyGen}(\text{msk}, \cdot)}(\text{pk}) \\ \beta \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\} \\ c \leftarrow \text{Encrypt}(\text{pk}, x_\beta) \\ \beta' \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\text{KeyGen}(\text{msk}, \cdot)}(c) \end{array} \right] - \frac{1}{2},$$

with the restriction that $F(\epsilon, x_0) = F(\epsilon, x_1)$ and that for all key descriptions k queried to $\text{KeyGen}(\text{msk}, \cdot)$, the equation $F(k, x_0) = F(k, x_1)$ must hold. We say the scheme is IND-CPA secure if for all PPT adversaries \mathcal{A} , $\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}}(\lambda) = \text{negl}(\lambda)$.

A Weaker Notion. One may define a weaker variant of indistinguishability, called *Selective Security* or **sel**-IND security: the encryption queries are sent before the initialization.

3.2 The Unbounded Inner Product Functionality

Inner Product Functional Encryption as defined in [1], and later works, takes messages of fixed length and outputs ciphertexts of the same fixed length. Messages are vectors of n scalars, indexed from 1 to n . We will show how to build Inner Product Functional Encryption schemes for arbitrary-size vectors.

While bounded message IPFE only considers vectors with contiguous indices we do not require this in our definitions to make them more general.

We give four definitions of Inner Product Functional Encryption for Unbounded Vectors. The first two differ in their requirement on the domains of the ciphertexts and the keys for encryption to be successful. The last two are Identity-Based variants of the first two.

Definition 3 (Strict Unbounded IPFE).

- $\mathcal{K} = \{\epsilon\} \cup \{(y_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}'} \mid \mathcal{D}' \subset \mathbb{N}^* \text{ finite}, y_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p \forall i \in \mathcal{D}'\}$;
- $\mathcal{X} = \{\mathbf{x} = (x_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}} \mid \mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{N}^* \text{ finite}, x_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p \forall i \in \mathcal{D} \text{ and } \|\mathbf{x}\| < \frac{\sqrt{p}}{2}\}$;
- $\mathcal{Z} = \mathbb{Z}_p$;
- $F(\epsilon, (x_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}}) = \mathcal{D}$ and

$$F((y_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}'}, (x_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}}) = \begin{cases} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}} x_i y_i & \text{if } \mathcal{D}' = \mathcal{D}; \\ \perp & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Definition 4 (Permissive Unbounded IPFE).

- $\mathcal{K} = \{\epsilon\} \cup \{(y_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}'} \mid \mathcal{D}' \subset \mathbb{N}^* \text{ finite}, y_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p \forall i \in \mathcal{D}'\}$;
- $\mathcal{X} = \{\mathbf{x} = (x_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}} \mid \mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{N}^* \text{ finite}, x_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p \forall i \in \mathcal{D}\}$;
- $\mathcal{Z} = \mathbb{Z}_p$;
- $F(\epsilon, (x_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}}) = \mathcal{D}$ and

$$F((y_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}'}, (x_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}}) = \begin{cases} \langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} \rangle & \text{if } \mathcal{D}' \subset \mathcal{D}; \\ \perp & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Definition 5 (Strict Identity-Based Unbounded IPFE).

- $\mathcal{K} = \{\epsilon\} \cup \{id', (y_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}'} \mid id' \in \{0, 1\}^*, \mathcal{D}' \subset \mathbb{N}^* \text{ finite}, y_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p \forall i \in \mathcal{D}'\}$;
- $\mathcal{X} = \{id, \mathbf{x} = (x_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}} \mid id \in \{0, 1\}^*, \mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{N}^* \text{ finite}, x_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p \forall i \in \mathcal{D}\}$;
- $\mathcal{Z} = \mathbb{Z}_p$;
- $F(\epsilon, (id, (x_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}})) = id, \mathcal{D}$ and

$$F((id', (y_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}'}), (id, (x_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}})) = \begin{cases} \langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} \rangle & \text{if } \mathcal{D}' = \mathcal{D} \text{ and } id = id'; \\ \perp & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Definition 6 (Permissive Identity-Based Unbounded IPFE).

- $\mathcal{K} = \{\epsilon\} \cup \{id', (y_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}'} \mid id' \in \{0, 1\}^*, \mathcal{D}' \subset \mathbb{N}^* \text{ finite}, y_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p \forall i \in \mathcal{D}'\}$;
- $\mathcal{X} = \{id, \mathbf{x} = (x_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}} \mid id \in \{0, 1\}^*, \mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{N}^* \text{ finite}, x_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p \forall i \in \mathcal{D}\}$;
- $\mathcal{Z} = \mathbb{Z}_p$;
- $F(\epsilon, (id, (x_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}})) = id, \mathcal{D}$ and

$$F((id', (y_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}'}), (id, (x_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}})) = \begin{cases} \langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} \rangle & \text{if } \mathcal{D}' \subset \mathcal{D} \text{ and } id = id'; \\ \perp & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

3.3 An alternative security definition.

To prove our permissive scheme secure we will require a slightly different definition of security than the standard one, so we introduce it here. Like ABDP and later works on practical Inner Product Functional Encryption, the keys in our scheme are homomorphic: $\text{KeyGen}(\text{msk}, \mathbf{y}_1) + \text{KeyGen}(\text{msk}, \mathbf{y}_2) = \text{KeyGen}(\text{msk}, \mathbf{y}_1 + \mathbf{y}_2)$. Moreover, ciphertexts are not required for inactive slots. For instance, from $\text{KeyGen}(\text{msk}, \mathbf{y})$ where $\mathbf{y} = (y_j)_{j \in \mathcal{D}}$ and for some $i \in \mathcal{D}$, $y_i = 0$, one can evaluate $\sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} x_j y_j$ from $(\text{Encrypt}(\text{pk}, (x_j)_{j \in \mathcal{D}, j \neq i}))$. The standard security game of Functional Encryption does not take this into account. Let us first define, for any unbounded vector $\mathbf{z} = (z_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}}$, its domain as $\text{Domain}(\mathbf{z}) = \mathcal{D}$ and its support as $\text{Support}(\mathbf{z}) = \{i \in \mathcal{D} \mid z_i \neq 0\}$.

Definition 7 (Homomorphic Key Security).

In Homomorphic Key IND (and sel-IND) security, we modify the conditions for ignoring the adversary's guess as follows:

If for some $m \in \mathbb{N}^*$ and $\mathbf{y}^1, \dots, \mathbf{y}^m$ queried to $\text{KeyGen}(\text{msk}, \cdot)$,
 there are $\omega_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, for all $i \in [m]$ such that
 $\text{Support}(\mathbf{y}) \subseteq \text{Domain}(\mathbf{x}^0) = \text{Domain}(\mathbf{x}^1)$
 and $\langle \sum_i \omega_i \mathbf{y}^i, \mathbf{x}^0 \rangle \neq \langle \sum_i \omega_i \mathbf{y}^i, \mathbf{x}^1 \rangle$,
 then, ignore the adversary's guess.

4 A Strict Identity-Based Unbounded IPFE

4.1 Description of the scheme

Definition 8 (A Selectively Secure Strict Identity-Based Unbounded IPFE).

- $\text{Setup}(\lambda)$: Pick a pairing group $\mathcal{PG} = (\mathbb{G}_1, \mathbb{G}_2, \mathbb{G}_T, g_1, g_2, e)$ of prime order p . Pick a full-domain hash function \mathcal{H} into \mathbb{G}_2 . Pick $s \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{Z}_p$ and publish $\text{pk} = [s]_1$. Set $\text{msk} = (s, \text{pk})$.
- $\text{Encrypt}(\text{pk}, \text{id}, \mathbf{x})$: Takes as input an unbounded vector $\mathbf{x} = (x_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}}$ where $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{N}^*$ is finite, an identity id and the public key pk . Pick $r \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{Z}_p$, and output $\mathbf{C} = ([r]_1, (c_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}})$ where $c_i = [x_i]_T + e([s]_1, r[u_{\text{id}|\mathcal{D}}|i]_2)$ and $[u_{\text{id}|\mathcal{D}}|i]_2 := \mathcal{H}(\text{id}|\mathcal{D}||i)$ for all $i \in \mathcal{D}$.
- $\text{KeyGen}(\text{msk}, \text{id}', \mathbf{y})$: Takes as input an unbounded vector $\mathbf{y} = (y_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}'}$ (where $\mathcal{D}' \subset \mathbb{N}^*$ is finite) representing its associated inner-product function, an identity id' and the master secret key $\text{msk} = (s, \text{pk})$. Outputs

$$\text{dk}_{\mathbf{y}} = (\mathbf{y}, -s \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}'} y_i [u_{\text{id}'|\mathcal{D}'}|i]_2)$$

where $[u_{\text{id}'|\mathcal{D}'}|i]_2 := \mathcal{H}(\text{id}'|\mathcal{D}'||i)$ for all $i \in \mathcal{D}'$.

- **Decrypt**(dk_y, \mathbf{C}): Takes as input a ciphertext $\mathbf{C} = (c_0, (c_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}})$ and a decryption key $\text{dk}_y = ((y_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}} = \mathbf{y}, d)$. Computes

$$[\alpha]_T = e(c_0, d) + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}} y_i c_i$$

and recovers the discrete logarithm to output α .

We clarify that $\cdot||\cdot$ denotes an efficient injective encoding into the set of binary strings.

Correctness. When $\text{id} = \text{id}'$ we have:

$$\begin{aligned} [\alpha]_T &= e(c_0, d) + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}} y_i c_i \\ &= e([r]_1, -s \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}} y_i [u_{\text{id}||\mathcal{D}||i}]_2) + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}} y_i ([x_i]_T + e([s]_1, r [u_{\text{id}||\mathcal{D}||i}]_2)) \\ &= [\sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}} -s r y_i u_{\text{id}||\mathcal{D}||i} + y_i x_i + s r y_i u_{\text{id}||\mathcal{D}||i}]_T \\ &= [\sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}} y_i x_i]_T = [\langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} \rangle]_T. \end{aligned}$$

4.2 Security Analysis

Theorem 9 (sel-IND Security). *The Strict Identity-Based Unbounded IPFE scheme described above is sel-IND-secure under the BDDH assumption, in the random oracle model for \mathcal{H} .*

Proof. Given an adversary \mathcal{A} that breaks the sel-IND security of our scheme, we construct an adversary \mathcal{B} that breaks the BDDH assumption.

\mathcal{B} receives a BDDH tuple $([a]_1, [b]_1, [a]_2, [c]_2, [d]_T)$. \mathcal{B} 's goal is to guess whether $d = abc$ or d is uniformly random. \mathcal{A} chooses a pair of challenge vectors $(\mathbf{x}^0 = (x_i^0)_{i \in \mathcal{D}^*}, \mathbf{x}^1 = (x_i^1)_{i \in \mathcal{D}^*})$ to be encrypted under identity id^* and sends them to \mathcal{B} .

From now on we write $|\mathcal{D}^*| = n$ and assimilate $\{(w_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}^*} | w_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p \forall i \in \mathcal{D}^*\}$ with the vector space \mathbb{Z}_p^n , where $m : \mathcal{D}^* \rightarrow [n]$ maps the original indices to those in \mathbb{Z}_p^n .

\mathcal{B} picks a basis $(\mathbf{z}_1, \dots, \mathbf{z}_{n-1})$ of $(\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1)^\perp$ as well as $n - 1$ random scalars $(r_1, \dots, r_{n-1}) \in \mathbb{Z}_p^{n-1}$. The family $(\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1, \mathbf{z}_1, \dots, \mathbf{z}_{n-1})$ is a basis of \mathbb{Z}_p^n and we can write the canonical vectors e_i as

$$e_i = \alpha_i \cdot (\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1) + \sum_{j \in [n-1]} \lambda_{i,j} \cdot \mathbf{z}_j$$

for some $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, $\lambda_{i,j} \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, for all $i \in [n]$, $j \in [n-1]$. \mathcal{B} picks a random $s_f \in \mathbb{Z}_p$.

\mathcal{B} can now simulate \mathcal{A} 's view:

- **Public Key.** \mathcal{B} simply sets $\text{pk} = [a]_1$ (implicitly setting the master secret key msk to be the unknown scalar a) and sends it to \mathcal{A} .
- **Random Oracle Calls.** On any fresh input str other than $\text{id}^* || \mathcal{D}^* || i$ for some $i \in \mathcal{D}^*$, \mathcal{B} returns a random group element, *the discrete logarithm of which* it stores as h_{str} and reuses upon a later request for the same input. On input $\text{id}^* || \mathcal{D}^* || i$ for some $i \in \mathcal{D}^*$, \mathcal{B} returns

$$\alpha_{m(i)}[c]_2 + \sum_{j \in [n-1]} \lambda_{m(i),j} [r_j]_2$$

which it doesn't need to store because the above formula is deterministic.

- **Ciphertext.** \mathcal{B} picks $\beta \in \{0, 1\}$ and generates a ciphertext for \mathbf{x}^β from $[b]_1$, $[a]_2$ and $[d]_T$ as $c_0 = [b]_1$ and:

$$c_i = [x_i^\beta]_T + \alpha_{m(i)}[d]_T + \left(\sum_{j \in [n-1]} \lambda_{m(i),j} r_j \right) e([b]_1, [a]_2)$$

for all $i \in \mathcal{D}^*$.

- **Decryption Keys.** \mathcal{A} will input id' , $\mathbf{y} = (y_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}'}$. Make those calls to the random oracle that haven't been made for inputs $\text{id}' || \mathcal{D}' || i$ for $i \in \mathcal{D}'$. If $\text{id}' \neq \text{id}^*$ or $\mathcal{D}' \neq \mathcal{D}^*$ simply return $(\sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}'} h_{\text{id}' || \mathcal{D}' || i} y_i [a]_2)$. Otherwise write $(y_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}^*} = \zeta \cdot (\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1) + \sum_{i \in [n-1]} \nu_i \cdot \mathbf{z}_i$ for $\zeta \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, $\nu_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, for all $i \in [n-1]$. Return

$$\left(\sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}^*} \nu_i \left(\sum_{j \in [n-1]} \lambda_{i,j} r_j \right) \right) [a]_2.$$

At the end of the simulation if \mathcal{A} correctly guesses β , \mathcal{B} guesses that $d = abc$ (the tuple is a proper BDDH tuple), otherwise it guesses that d is uniformly random.

It remains to be verified that \mathcal{B} correctly simulates \mathcal{A} 's environment.

The master public key and the random oracle responses are clearly uniformly random, thus properly distributed, despite the change of basis.

From Section 2.2 we know that the coefficient of $\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1$ in the decomposition of a \mathbf{y} for which a key has been queried is zero, otherwise the adversary \mathcal{A} will not pass the final condition and its guess will be ignored.

Now, notice that when \mathcal{B} receives a true BDDH tuple, it properly returns an encryption of \mathbf{x}^β , but when $[d]_T$ is uniformly random, the bit β is perfectly hidden. Under the BDDH assumption \mathcal{A} cannot distinguish between these situations and thus, as in the latter, has no information on β . This concludes the proof.

5 A Permissive Identity-Based Unbounded IPFE

5.1 Description of the scheme

Definition 10 (A Selectively Secure Permissive Identity-Based Unbounded IPFE).

- **Setup**(λ): Pick a pairing group $\mathcal{PG} = (\mathbb{G}_1, \mathbb{G}_2, \mathbb{G}_T, g_1, g_2, e)$ of prime order p . Pick a full-domain hash function \mathcal{H} into \mathbb{G}_2 . Pick $s \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{Z}_p$ and publish $\mathbf{pk} = [s]_1$. Set $\mathbf{msk} = (s, \mathbf{pk})$.
- **Encrypt**($\mathbf{pk}, id, \mathbf{x}$): Takes as input an unbounded vector $\mathbf{x} = (x_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}}$ where $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{N}^*$ is finite, an identity id and the public key \mathbf{pk} . Picks $r \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{Z}_p$, and outputs $\mathbf{C} = ([r]_1, (c_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}})$ where $c_i = [x_i]_T + e([s]_1, r[u_{id||i}]_2)$ and $[u_{id||i}]_2 := \mathcal{H}(id||i)$ for all $i \in \mathcal{D}$.
- **KeyGen**($\mathbf{msk}, id', \mathbf{y}$): Takes as input an unbounded vector $\mathbf{y} = (y_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}'}$ (where $\mathcal{D}' \subset \mathbb{N}^*$ is finite) representing its associated inner-product function, an identity id' and the master secret key $\mathbf{msk} = (s, \mathbf{pk})$. Outputs

$$\mathbf{dk}_{\mathbf{y}} = (\mathbf{y}, -s \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}'} y_i [u_{id' || i}]_2)$$

where $[u_{id' || i}]_2 := \mathcal{H}(id' || i)$ for all $i \in \mathcal{D}'$.

- **Decrypt**($\mathbf{dk}_{\mathbf{y}}, \mathbf{C}$): Takes as input a ciphertext $\mathbf{C} = (c_0, (c_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}})$ and a decryption key $\mathbf{dk}_{\mathbf{y}} = ((y_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}'}, d)$. Computes

$$[\alpha]_T = e(c_0, d) + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}'} y_i c_i$$

and recovers the discrete logarithm to output α .

We clarify that $\cdot||\cdot$ denotes an efficient injective encoding into the set of binary strings.

Correctness. When $id = id'$ we have:

$$\begin{aligned} [\alpha]_T &= e(c_0, d) + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}} y_i c_i \\ &= e([r]_1, -s \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}'} y_i [u_{id || i}]_2) + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}'} y_i ([x_i]_T + e([s]_1, r[u_{id || i}]_2)) \\ &= [\sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}'} -s r y_i u_{id || i} + y_i x_i + s r y_i u_{id || i}]_T \\ &= [\sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}'} y_i x_i]_T = [\langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} \rangle]_T. \end{aligned}$$

5.2 New Assumption

Unfortunately, we will not be able to prove the security of this new scheme under a standard assumption. We thus define a new interactive one, that allows the adversary to see some linear combinations:

Definition 11 (Linearly Extended Bilinear Decisional Diffie-Hellman Assumption).

The *Linearly Extended Bilinear Decisional Diffie-Hellman (leBDDH) Assumption* states that no PPT adversary \mathcal{A} should be able to win the following game against a challenger \mathcal{C} with non-negligible advantage:

- Initialize: \mathcal{C} picks $a, b, c, r \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{Z}_p$ and $\delta \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}$. If $\delta = 0$, \mathcal{C} sends

$$([a]_1, [b]_1, [a]_2, [c]_2, [abc]_T)$$

to \mathcal{A} , otherwise it sends

$$([a]_1, [b]_1, [a]_2, [c]_2, [r]_T)$$

- Extension Queries: \mathcal{A} has unlimited access to an oracle that, on input $i \in \mathbb{N}^*$:
 - if it stored a value h_i for i , reuses it;
 - otherwise, picks $h_i \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{Z}_p$, sends it to \mathcal{A} and stores it;
- Linear Extension Queries: \mathcal{A} has unlimited access to an oracle that, on input $(y_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}}$ for some finite $S \subset \mathbb{N}$:
 1. For each $i \in \mathcal{D} \setminus \{0\}$:
 - if it stored a value h_i for i , reuses it;
 - otherwise, picks $h_i \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{Z}_p$ and stores it;
 2. stores $(y_i)_i$ and sends $[y_0ac + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}, i \neq 0} y_i h_i a]_2$ to \mathcal{A} .
- Finalize: \mathcal{A} provides its guess δ' on \mathcal{C} 's bit δ . \mathcal{C} uses the stored $((y_i^{(k)})_i)_k$ to check that $e_0 \notin \mathbf{Span}((\mathbf{y}^{(k)})_k)$, and if so it outputs $\beta := \delta'$, otherwise it outputs $\beta \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}$.

5.3 Security Analysis

Theorem 12 (Homomorphic Key sel-IND Security). *The Permissive Identity-Based Unbounded IPFE scheme described above is Homomorphic Key sel-IND-secure under the leBDDH assumption, in the random oracle model for \mathcal{H} .*

Proof. Given an adversary \mathcal{A} that breaks the sel-IND security of our scheme, we construct an adversary \mathcal{B} that breaks the leBDDH assumption.

\mathcal{B} receives a BDDH tuple $([a]_1, [b]_1, [a]_2, [c]_2, [d]_T)$ from a leBDDH oracle. \mathcal{B} 's goal is to guess whether $d = abc$ or d is uniformly random. \mathcal{A} chooses a pair of challenge vectors $(\mathbf{x}^0 = (x_i^0)_{i \in \mathcal{D}^*}, \mathbf{x}^1 = (x_i^1)_{i \in \mathcal{D}^*})$ to be encrypted under identity id^* and sends them to \mathcal{B} .

From now on we write $|\mathcal{D}^*| = n$ and assimilate $\{(w_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}^*} \mid w_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p \forall i \in \mathcal{D}^*\}$ with the vector space \mathbb{Z}_p^n , and define $m : \mathcal{D}^* \rightarrow [n]$ which maps the original indices to those in \mathbb{Z}_p^n and $m^\perp : \mathbb{N} \setminus \mathcal{D}^* \rightarrow \mathbb{N}^*$ which maps the other indices into \mathbb{N} .

\mathcal{B} picks a basis $(\mathbf{z}_1, \dots, \mathbf{z}_{n-1})$ of $(\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1)^\perp$ as well as $n - 1$ random scalars $(r_1, \dots, r_{n-1}) \in \mathbb{Z}_p^{n-1}$. $(\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1, \mathbf{z}_1, \dots, \mathbf{z}_{n-1})$ is a basis of \mathbb{Z}_p^n and we can write the canonical vectors e_i as

$$e_i = \alpha_i \cdot (\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1) + \sum_{j \in [n-1]} \lambda_{i,j} \cdot \mathbf{z}_j$$

for some $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, $\lambda_{i,j} \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, for all $i \in [n]$, $j \in [n-1]$. \mathcal{B} picks a random $s_f \in \mathbb{Z}_p$. \mathcal{B} can now simulate \mathcal{A} 's view:

- **Public Key.** \mathcal{B} simply sets $\text{pk} = [a]_1$ (implicitly setting the master secret key msk to be the unknown scalar a) and sends it to \mathcal{A} .
- **Random Oracle Calls.** On any fresh input str other than $\text{id}^*||i$ for some $i \in \mathbb{N}$, \mathcal{B} returns a random group element, *the discrete logarithm of which* it stores as h_{str} and reuses upon a later request for the same input. On input $\text{id}^*||i$ for some $i \notin \mathcal{D}^*$, \mathcal{B} makes an Extension Query to the ℓeBDDH oracle with input $m^\perp(i)$ and forwards its output to \mathcal{A} . On input $\text{id}^*||i$ for some $i \in \mathcal{D}^*$, \mathcal{B} returns

$$\alpha_{m(i)}[c]_2 + \sum_{j \in [n-1]} \lambda_{m(i),j} [r_j]_2$$

which it doesn't need to store because the above formula is deterministic.

- **Ciphertext.** \mathcal{B} picks $\beta \in \{0, 1\}$ and generates a ciphertext for \mathbf{x}^β from $[b]_1$, $[a]_2$ and $[d]_T$ as $c_0 = [b]_1$ and:

$$c_i = [x_i^\beta]_T + \alpha_{m(i)}[d]_T + \left(\sum_{j \in [n-1]} \lambda_{m(i),j} r_j \right) e([b]_1, [a]_2)$$

for all $i \in \mathcal{D}^*$.

- **Decryption Keys.** \mathcal{A} will input id' , $\mathbf{y} = (y_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}'}$. Make those calls to the random oracle that haven't been made for inputs $\text{id}'||i$ for $i \in \mathcal{D}'$. If $\text{id}' \neq \text{id}^*$ or $\mathcal{D}' \neq \mathcal{D}^*$ simply return $(\sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}'} h_{\text{id}'||i} y_i [a]_2)$. Otherwise write $\mathcal{D}_1 = \mathcal{D}^* \setminus \{0\} \cap \mathcal{D}'$ and $\mathcal{D}_2 = \mathcal{D}' \setminus \mathcal{D}_1$. Decompose \mathbf{y} as $(y_i)_{i \in \mathcal{D}^*} = \zeta(\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1) + \sum_{i \in [n-1]} \nu_i \mathbf{z}_i$ for $\zeta \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, $\nu_i \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, for all $i \in [n-1]$. Make a Linear Extension Query to the ℓeBDDH oracle for input $(y'_i)_{i \in \{0\} \cup m^\perp(\mathcal{D}_2)}$ such that $y'_{m^\perp(i)} = y_i$ for all $i \in \mathcal{D}_2$ and $y'_0 = \zeta$. which returns $\iota \in \mathbb{G}_2$. Return

$$\iota + \left(\sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}^*} \nu_i \left(\sum_{j \in [n-1]} \lambda_{i,j} r_j \right) \right) [a]_2.$$

At the end of the simulation if \mathcal{A} correctly guesses β , \mathcal{B} guesses that $d = abc$ (the tuple is a proper BDDH tuple), otherwise it guesses that d is uniformly random.

It remains to be verified that \mathcal{B} correctly simulates \mathcal{A} 's environment.

The master public key, functional decryption key and the random oracle responses are clearly uniformly random, thus properly distributed, despite the change of basis.

From Section 3.3 we know that the span of all queried keys will not contain a key with domain included in \mathcal{D}^* with a non zero component on $\mathbf{x}^0 - \mathbf{x}^1$ which guarantees that \mathcal{B} does not break the condition that bars trivial victories in the ℓeBDDH game.

Now, notice that when \mathcal{B} receives a true BDDH tuple, it properly returns an encryption of \mathbf{x}^β , but when $[d]_T$ is uniformly random, the bit β is perfectly hidden. Under the BDDH assumption \mathcal{A} cannot distinguish between these situations and thus, as in the latter, has no information on β . This concludes the proof.

6 Open Problems

We list several interesting directions for future research:

- Building Unbounded IPFE with Permissive behavior (or other, not yet introduced behaviors) from standard assumptions.
- Building Unbounded IPFE for any behavior without pairings or without random oracles.
- Building Unbounded Functional Encryption schemes for different functionalities, such as Quadratic Polynomials (which already require pairings in the bounded setting [6]).
- Achieving adaptive security (for both schemes we introduced we only proved selective security).

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