

Article Traceable Scheme of Public Key Encryption with Equality Test

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Abstract: Public key encryption supporting equality test (PKEwET) schemes, because of their special function, have good applications in many fields, such as in cloud computing services, blockchain, and the Internet of Things. The original PKEwET has no authorization function. Subsequently, many PKEwET schemes have been proposed with the ability to perform authorization against various application scenarios. However, these schemes are incapable of traceability to the ciphertexts. In this paper, the ability of tracing to the ciphertexts is introduced into a PKEwET scheme. For the ciphertexts, the presented scheme supports not only the equality test, but also has the function of traceability. Meanwhile, the security of the proposed scheme is revealed by a game between an adversary and a simulator, and it achieves a desirable level of security. Depending on the attacker's privileges, it can resist OW-CCA security against an adversary with a trapdoor, and can resist IND-CCA security against an adversary with a trapdoor. Finally, the performance of the presented scheme is discussed.

Keywords: public key encryption; equality test; blockchain; cloud server



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1. Introduction

With the continuous development of the Internet of Things (IoT), the security of data has gotten more attention. In order to ensure the security of data, data are stored on a server by encryption. However, it is inconvenient for effective application when the data are encrypted, making it impossible to search within encrypted data. Therefore, searchable encryption (SE) is presented [1]. The aim of SE is to produce a tag related to ciphertext, and to classify the ciphertexts. Since this primitive approach was proposed, many cryptographers have studied it extensively and deeply [2–6]. However, the same ciphertext cannot be classified and stored by SE schemes. A new cryptographic primitive approach emerged as the times required, namely the public key encryption supporting equality test (PKEwET) [7]. In this paper, traceability is introduced into the PKEwET scheme.

1.1. Related Work

The PKEwET scheme resolves the problem of data matching in many application environments, such as in cloud computing, health service systems, and IoT. It can compare the consistency of the ciphertexts without the secret key. Recently, the research scope of PKEwET has focused on the three aspects of authorization, security scheme, and efficiency of the PKEwET scheme. Some progress in PKEwET is reviewed as follows:

For the authorization, Tang et al. and Huang et al. proposed PKEwET schemes supporting authorization from the user and ciphertext, respectively [8–13]. Then, Ma et al. extended the authorization mechanism to multi-user environments [14]. For more convenient application, Ma et al. proposed four types of authorization policies, namely



user level, ciphertext level, user-specific ciphertext level, and ciphertext-to-user level authorization [15]. To simplify the maintenance of public key certificates, Ma et al. introduced the equality test algorithm into an identity-based encryption scheme [16]. For more convenient application to smart cities, Yang et al. proposed a filtered equality test scheme [17]. Later, Wang et al. combined signcryption and an equality test [18]. Recently, Duong et al. presented new lattice-based PKEwET schemes [19].

For the security, in 2016, Lee et al. improved the scheme of Ma, and proposed a new scheme that achieved IND-CCA security [20], and presented an equality test scheme based on the standard model for the first time [21]. In 2017, Wang et al. and Huang et al. proposed a PKEwET scheme from the ciphertext level, and presented the proof of security under the standard model [22,23]. Subsequently, some other PKEwET schemes based on the standard model have been proposed [24,25].

For the efficiency of the PKEwET schemes, Lin et al. and Zhu et al. proposed pairingfree equality test schemes [26,27]. The scheme of Tang was improved upon by Wu et al. [28,29], where the efficiency of computing increased by 36.7% in encryption and by 39.24% in the test algorithm. In 2018, Qu et al. introduced a certificate-less PKEwET scheme [30]. This scheme was improved upon by Elhabob et al. [31,32]. In 2019, Wu et al. combined Zhu et al.'s and Ma et al.'s schemes, and proposed the pairing-free scheme based identity [33]. In the same year, Lee et al. proposed a new PKEwET scheme, from generic assumptions in the random oracle model [34]. To reduce the cost of computing and communication, Ling et al. introduced the group mechanism into a PKEwET algorithm [35].

For convenience in cloud computing of the PKEwET scheme, key-policy attributebased encryption was introduced by Zhu et al. [36]. In 2018, ciphertext-policy attributebased encryption was introduced into a PKEwET scheme by Wang et al. [37]. Subsequently, some improvement schemes were put forward [38–41].

Driven by interests, some users may disclose their own secret keys to non-group users intentionally or unintentionally. However, it is difficult for the malicious user to be tracked down by the system. The problem of key abuse brings great security risks to PKEwET systems. To solve this problem, we introduce a tracking function into a PKEwET system.

1.2. Contributions

In this paper, traceability is introduced into a group ID-based encryption (GIBE) scheme. The motivation is to make a GIBE supporting traceability and an equality test function to the ciphertexts. The key contributions can be listed as follows:

- We show that the GIBE algorithm is unable to compare ciphertexts, and has no equality test function without the secret key *sk*. To overcome these limitations, we combine the GIBE and PKEwET algorithms. Additionally, all of PKEwET algorithms are untraceable to the encrypted ciphertexts, the idea of traceability is introduced into the PKEwET algorithm, and we propose the traceable GIBE with an equality test scheme (T-GIBEwET).
- Two types of adversaries are described, and the security of the proposed scheme is proved in details from two types of adversaries. The presented scheme achieves a desirable security. With a trapdoor, the T-GIBEwET scheme can resist OW-CCA security. Without a trapdoor, the T-GIBEwET scheme can resist IND-CCA security.
- The performance of the T-GIBEwET scheme is discussed. Compared to existing equality test schemes, it is more efficient and more practical in many scenarios.

1.3. Outline of This Paper

The rest of the proposal is organized as follows: some preliminaries, some basic definitions, assumptions and the security model are presented in Section 2. The details of the T-GIBEwET scheme are presented in Section 3. The security of the T-GIBEwET scheme is discussed in Section 4. In Section 5, the performance analysis of the T-GIBEwET scheme is represented. Finally, the concluding remarks of this paper are summarized in Section 6.

2. Preliminaries

In this section, we present the safety objectives, cryptographic assumptions and security models used in this paper.

2.1. Decisional Bilinear Diffie-Hellman Assumption

The proposed scheme is secure under the decisional bilinear Diffie–Hellman assumption. In this algorithm, the challenger S picks $a, b, c, z \in Z_p^*$ and flips coin $coin \in \{0, 1\}$ randomly.

- If coin = 0, S outputs $(g, g^a, g^b, g^c, e(g, g)^z)$.
- Otherwise, S outputs $(g, g^a, g^b, g^c, e(g, g)^{abc})$.

Then, the adversary A gives a guess of *coin*.

2.2. Definition of PKEwET

The PKEwET scheme contains four algorithms [7]:

- (1) **KeyGen** (1^{*l*}): This procedure randomly selects $x \in Z_q^*$, and outputs the public/secret key pair ($pk = g^x$, sk = x), where *g* is a generator of *G*.
- (2) **Encrypt** (M, pk): This procedure selects the numbers $r \in Z_q^*$ randomly. Then, it outputs the ciphertext *CT* as follows: Use *r* to compute:

$$C_1 = g^r$$

$$C_2 = M^r$$

$$C_3 = Hash(C_1, C_2, g^{xr}) \oplus (M \parallel r)$$

Output the ciphertext $CT = (C_1, C_2, C_3)$.

(3) **Decrypt** (*CT*, *sk*): Given *sk* and a ciphertext *CT*, the procedure runs as follows:

$$M \parallel r = C_3 \oplus Hash(C_1, C_2, C_1^{\chi})$$

If $C_1 = g^r$ and $C_2 = M^r$, output *M*; otherwise, return \perp .

(4) **Test** (CT_i, CT_j) : Given $CT_i = (C_{i,1}, C_{i,2}, C_{i,3}), CT_j = (C_{j,1}, C_{j,2}, C_{j,3})$ the procedure runs as follows:

$$T_1 = e(C_{i,1}, C_{j,2})$$
$$T_2 = e(C_{j,1}, C_{i,2})$$

Then, check whether $T_1 = T_2$ holds. If yes, it means that $M_i = M_j$ and output 1. Otherwise, it means that $M_i \neq M_j$ and output 0.

2.3. Group ID-Based Encryption

A group ID-based encryption scheme consists of the following six algorithms [42]:

- (1) **Setup** (*l*): With the security parameter *l*, this procedure exports system public parameters *sp* and *msk*.
- (2) **KeyGengroup** (*sp*): With system public parameters *sp*, this procedure exports the public key and secret key *gsk* of group users.
- (3) Extract (*msk*, *sp*, *ID*): With a user's identity *ID* ∈ {0,1}*, this procedure outputs the public key and secret key *dk* of users.
- (4) Join (gsk, h_{ID}): This algorithm is an interactive protocol between the group manager and the prospective user; it takes the group user's *ID* as inputs, and outputs the group public key gpk.
- (5) Encrypt (M, sp, gpk_i, dk_{ID_i}, ID_j): This algorithm takes the public keys sp, gpk_i of the group manager, dk_{ID_i} of the user *i*, and the receiver's public key ID_j and the message M as inputs, and outputs a ciphertext CT.

(6) **Decrypt** (CT, gpk, dk_{ID_j}): This algorithm is run by the receiver; it takes the group public key gpk, the receiver's secret key dk_{ID_j} , and the ciphertext CT as inputs, and outputs the message M or an error symbol \perp .

2.4. System Models

Figure 1 illustrates the system model of T-GIBEwET. The system has four roles: the group manger, the users, the tester, and a trusted third party. The trusted third party generates the private key *dk* for users. The group manger generates the group public key and group secret key for the group users. The group users encrypt and send the private data to the tester. The tester is authorized and gains a trapdoor *gtd*.



Figure 1. System Model.

An integrated T-GIBEwET scheme consists of nine algorithms: **Setup**, **KeyGengroup**, **Extract**, **Join**, **Encrypt**, **Decrypt**, **Trace**, **Auth**, and **Test**.

- (1) **Setup** (*l*): With the security parameter *l*, this procedure exports the system public parameters *sp* and *msk*.
- (2) **KeyGengroup** (*sp*): With system public parameters *sp*, this procedure exports the public key and secret key *gsk* of group users.
- (3) Extract (*msk*, *sp*, *ID*): With a user's identity *ID* ∈ {0,1}*, this procedure outputs the public key and secret key *dk* of users.
- (4) Join (gsk, h_{ID}): This algorithm is an interactive protocol between the group manager and the prospective user; it takes the group user's *ID* as inputs, and outputs the group public key gpk.
- (5) Encrypt (*M*, *sp*, *gpk_i*, *dk*_{*ID_i*}, *ID_j*): This algorithm takes the public keys *sp* and *gpk_i* of the group manager, *dk*_{*ID_i*} of the user *i*, the receiver's public key *ID_j*, and the message *M* as inputs, and outputs a ciphertext *CT*.
- (6) **Decrypt** (CT, gpk, dk_{ID_j}) : This algorithm is run by the receiver, it takes the group public key *gpk*, the receiver's secret key dk_{ID_j} , and the ciphertext *CT* as inputs, and outputs the message *M* or an error symbol \perp .
- (7) **Trace** (CT, gsk, h_{ID_i} , gpk): This algorithm is run by the group manger; it takes group secret key gsk, h_{ID_i} , gpk, and a ciphertext CT as inputs, and outputs the user's ID.
- (8) **Auth** (*gsk*): This algorithm is run by the group manger, and outputs the group trapdoor *gtd*.
- (9) **Test** (CT_i, CT_j, gtd) : This algorithm is run by the tester; it takes the two ciphertexts CT_i, CT_j and gtd as inputs, and outputs 1 or 0.

2.5. Security Models

According to different permissions, we show two kinds of adversaries in our proposal.

- $Type \alpha_1$ adversary: With a trapdoor, the adversary cannot recover the plaintext after receiving the challenge ciphertext.
- *Type* α_2 adversary: Without a trapdoor, the adversary cannot tell by which message is CT^* encrypted.

OW-CCA security in T-GIBEwET.

Type – α_1 adversary A_1 and simulator S's game is played as in Figure 2.



Figure 2. OW-CCA security model.

In Figure 2, \mathcal{O}_1 represents the H_1 , H_2 , H_3 , H_4 , and H_5 queries. $\mathcal{O}_2(ID) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \mathbf{Extract}(msk, ID)$, $\mathcal{O}_3(M, ID_j, gpk, sp, dk_{ID_i}) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \mathbf{Encrypt}(M, ID_j, gpk, sp, dk_{ID_i}), \mathcal{O}_4(ID, CT) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \mathbf{Decrypt}(dk_{ID}, CT), \mathcal{O}_5(gtd, \cdot) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \mathbf{Auth}(gtd, \cdot), \mathcal{O}_6 = \mathcal{O}_1, \mathcal{O}_8(M, ID_j, gpk, sp, dk_{ID_i}) = \mathcal{O}_3(M, ID_j, gpk, sp, dk_{ID_i}) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \mathbf{Encrypt}(M, ID_j, gpk, sp, dk_{ID_i}), \mathcal{O}_{10}(gtd, \cdot) = \mathcal{O}_5(gtd, \cdot) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \mathbf{Auth}(gtd, \cdot)$, but

$$\mathcal{O}_{7}(i) = \begin{cases} \mathcal{O}_{2}(i) & i \neq t \\ \perp & otherwise \end{cases}$$

and

$$\mathcal{O}_{9}(i, CT_{i}) = \begin{cases} \mathcal{O}_{4}(i, CT_{i}) & CT_{i} \neq CT^{*} \\ \bot & otherwise \end{cases}$$

The advantage of A_1 in the aforementioned game is defined as follows:

$$Adv_{PKEwET-FA,\mathcal{A}_{1}}^{OW-CCA}(k) = \Pr[M_{t} = M_{t}^{*}]$$

As described in Figure 2, A_1 enjoys O_1 , O_2 , O_3 , O_4 , and O_5 queries in Phase 1, and S answers all queries truthfully. When A_1 decides to discontinue queries, S selects a

challenge message M and generates the challenge ciphertext CT^* . Then, A_1 enjoys \mathcal{O}_6 , \mathcal{O}_7 , \mathcal{O}_8 , \mathcal{O}_9 , and \mathcal{O}_{10} queries as Phase 1, but the condition is that CT^* does not appear in \mathcal{O}_9 . When A_1 decides to discontinue queries, A_1 guesses M' to S.

Definition 1. The T-GIBEwET scheme is OW-CCA security, if all polynomial time and the advantage of \mathcal{A}_1 ($Adv_{T-GIBEwET,\mathcal{A}_1}^{OW-CCA}(l) = Pr[M = M']$) is negligible in the above game.

IND-CCA security in T-GIBEwET.

Type – α_2 adversary A_2 and simulator S's game is played as in Figure 3.



Figure 3. IND-CCA Security Model.

In Figure 3, \mathcal{O}_1 represents H_1 , H_2 , H_3 , H_4 , and H_5 queries. $\mathcal{O}_2(ID) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \mathbf{Extract}(msk, ID)$, $\mathcal{O}_3(M, ID_j, gpk, sp, dk_{ID_i}) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \mathbf{Encrypt}(M, ID_j, gpk, sp, dk_{ID_i})$, $\mathcal{O}_4(ID, CT) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \mathbf{Decrypt}(dk_{ID}, CT)$, $\mathcal{O}_5 = \mathcal{O}_1$, $\mathcal{O}_7(M, ID_j, gpk, sp, dk_{ID_i}) = \mathcal{O}_3(M, ID_j, gpk, sp, dk_{ID_i}) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \mathbf{Encrypt}(M, ID_j, gpk, sp, dk_{ID_i})$, but

$$\mathcal{O}_{6}(i) = \begin{cases} \mathcal{O}_{2}(i) & i \neq t \\ \bot & otherwise \end{cases}$$

and

$$\mathcal{O}_8(i, CT_i) = \begin{cases} \mathcal{O}_4(i, CT_i) & CT_i \neq CT \\ \bot & otherwise \end{cases}$$

The advantage of A_2 in the aforementioned game is defined as follows:

$$Adv_{PKEwET-FA,\mathcal{A}_2}^{IND-CCA}(k) = |\Pr[b=b^*] - 1/2|)$$

As described in Figure 3, A_2 enjoys O_1 , O_2 , O_3 , and O_4 queries in Phase 1, and S answers all queries truthfully. When A_2 decides to discontinue queries, A_2 selects the

two challenge messages M_0 , M_1 . Given M_0 and M_1 , S outputs CT^* based on a random selection of M_0 and M_1 . Then, A_2 enjoys \mathcal{O}_5 , \mathcal{O}_6 , \mathcal{O}_7 , and \mathcal{O}_8 queries as Phase 1, but the condition is that CT^* does not appear in \mathcal{O}_8 . When A_2 decides to discontinue queries, A_2 guesses b' to S.

Definition 2. The T-GIBEwET scheme is IND-CCA security, if all polynomial time and the advantage of A_2 ($Adv_{T-GIBEwET,A_2}^{IND-CCA}(l) = |Pr[b = b'] - 1/2|$) is negligible in the above game.

Definition 3 (Correctness). If a T - GIBEwET scheme is correct, for any $sp \leftarrow Setup(l)$, $gsk \leftarrow KeyGengroup(sp), dk \leftarrow Extract(msk, sp, ID), gpk \leftarrow Join(gsk, h_{ID}), CT_j \leftarrow Encrypt$ $(M, sp, gpk_i, dk_{ID_i}, ID_j), CT_i \leftarrow Encrypt(M, sp, gpk_j, dk_{ID_j}, ID_i)$ and $gtd \leftarrow Auth(gsk)$, the following conditions must be satisfied:

- (1) For any $M \in \mathcal{M}$, $Decrypt(Encrypt(M, sp, gpk_i, dk_{ID_i}, ID_i), dk_{ID_i}) = M$ always holds.
- (2) For any ciphertexts CT_i and CT_j , if $Decrypt(CT_i, dk_{ID_i}) = Decrypt(CT_j, dkID_j) \neq \bot$, it holds that

 $Test(CT_i, CT_i, gtd) = 1.$

(3) For any ciphertexts CT_i and CT_j , if $Decrypt(CT_i, dk_{ID_i}) \neq Decrypt(CT_j, dk_{ID_j}) \neq \bot$, it holds that $Test(CT_i, CT_i, otd) = 0.$

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2.6. Symbols

In this paragraph, we summarize some symbols used in the proposed scheme. These symbols will assist readers to read and understand the following sections. These symbols are listed in Table 1.

Table 1. Symbols used in the proposed scheme.

Symbol	Description
1	A security parameter
G	A cyclic group
8	The generator of G
M	The plaintext
CT	The ciphertext
CT^*	The challenge ciphertext
\mathcal{M}	The message space
Ζ	Set of integers
H	A hash function
S	The master key (keep it as a secret)
ID	A user's identity
gsk	The group secret key (kept as a secret by group manager)
gpk	The group public key (share to all users in the group)
dk _{ID}	A user's secret key (keep it as a secret)
\mathcal{A}	The adversary
S	The simulator

3. Our Constructions

This section provides the proposed T-GIBEwET scheme as follows.

- (1) **Setup** (*l*): With the security parameter *l*, this procedure exports the system public parameters $sp = (g, G, G_T, e, g^s, H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4, H_5)$. Choose hash functions: H_1 : $\{0, 1\}^* \to G^*, H_2: G_T \to G, H_3: G_T \to \{0, 1\}^{l+l_1}, H_4, H_5: \{0, 1\}^* \to \{0, 1\}^l$; here l_1 means the length of elements in Z_q . The master key *msk* is *s*.
- (2) **KeyGengroup** (*sp*): This procedure randomly selects $s_1, s_2 \in Z_q^*$, and outputs the group secret key $gsk = (s_1, s_2)$.
- (3) **Extract** (*msk*, *sp*): With a string $ID \in \{0,1\}^*$, this procedure outputs the public key and secret key as follows:

- Outputs a public key $h_{ID} = H_1(ID) \in G^*$.
- Outputs a secret key $dk_{ID} = h_{ID}^s$.
- (4) **Join** (gsk, h_{ID}) : This procedure outputs the group public key $gpk = (h_{ID}^{s_1}, g^{s_1}, g^{s_1s_2})$ for user *ID*.
- (5) **Encrypt** $(M, sp, gpk_i, dk_{ID_i}, ID_j)$: This procedure selects numbers $r_1, r_2 \in Z_q^*$ randomly. Then, it outputs the ciphertext *CT* as follows: Use r_1, r_2 to compute:

$$C_{1} = h_{ID_{i}}^{r_{1}}$$

$$C_{2} = M^{r_{2}}H_{2}(U_{1}^{r_{1}})$$

$$C_{3} = g^{r_{1}}$$

$$C_{4} = g^{sr_{2}}$$

$$C_{5} = h_{ID_{i}}^{sr_{1}}$$

$$C_{6} = H_{3}(U_{2}^{r_{1}}) \oplus (M \parallel r_{1})$$

$$C_{7} = H_{5}(C_{1} \parallel C_{2} \parallel C_{3} \parallel C_{4} \parallel C_{5} \parallel C_{6} \parallel h_{ID_{i}}^{s})$$

$$C_{8} = H_{4}(C_{1} \parallel C_{2} \parallel C_{3} \parallel C_{4} \parallel C_{5} \parallel C_{6} \parallel C_{7} \parallel M \parallel r_{1}).$$
the ciphertext $CT = (C_{1}, C_{2}, C_{3}, C_{4}, C_{5}, C_{6}, C_{7}, C_{8}).$

Output the ciphertext $CT = (C_1, C_2, C_3, C_4, C_5, C_6, C_7, C_8)$,

where: $II_{*} - e(h^{s} - a^{s_{1}s_{2}})$

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$$U_1 = e(h_{ID_i}, g^{s_1 s_2})$$

 $U_2 = e(h_{ID_i}, g^s).$

(6) **Decrypt** (CT, dk_{ID_i}) : Given dk_{ID_i} and a ciphertext CT, the procedure runs as follows:

$$M \parallel r_1 = C_6 \oplus H_3(e(C_3, h_{ID_i}^s))$$

If $C_1 = h_{ID_i}^{s_1r_1}$ and $C_8 = H_4(C_1 \parallel C_2 \parallel C_3 \parallel C_4 \parallel C_5 \parallel C_6 \parallel C_7 \parallel M \parallel r_1)$, output *M*; otherwise, return \perp .

(7) **Trace** (CT, dk_{ID_i} , sp): Given dk_{ID_i} , sp and a ciphertext CT, the procedure runs as follows:

 $D_1 = e(g, C_5)$

$$D_2 = e(h_{ID_i}^s, C_3)$$

Then, check whether $C_7 = H_5(C_1 \parallel C_2 \parallel C_3 \parallel C_4 \parallel C_5 \parallel C_6 \parallel h_{ID_i}^s)$ and $D_1 = D_2$ holds. If yes, it means that *CT* is encrypted by ID_i .

- (8) The algorithm from the authorization function and test function: Suppose CT_i (resp. CT_i) is a ciphertext of ID_i (resp. ID_j).
 - **Auth**(*gsk*): Outputs the group trapdoor $gtd = s_2$.
 - **Test**(CT_i , CT_j , gtd): This procedure takes the inputs CT_i , CT_j and gtd and exports as follows:

$$M_i^{r_{i,2}} = C_{i,2} / e(C_{i,1}, g^s)^{s_2}$$
$$M_j^{r_{j,2}} = C_{j,2} / e(C_{j,1}, g^s)^{s_2}$$

Use $M_i^{r_{i,2}}$ and $M_j^{r_{j,2}}$ to decide whether $e(M_i^{r_{i,2}}, C_{j,4}) = e(M_j^{r_{j,2}}, C_{i,4})$. If yes, output 1, which means $M_i = M_j$. Otherwise, export 0, which means $M_i \neq M_j$.

Theorem 1. According to Definition 3, the above T-GIBEwET scheme is correct.

Proof. We show in turn that the three conditions of Definition 3 are all satisfied.

(1) The first condition is easy to verify.

(2) Considering the second condition, for any $sp \leftarrow$ **Setup**(l), $gsk \leftarrow$ **KeyGengroup**(sp), $dk \leftarrow$ **Extract**(msk, sp, ID), $gpk \leftarrow$ **Join**(gsk, h_{ID}), $CT_j \leftarrow$ **Encrypt**($M, sp, gpk_i, dk_{ID_i}, ID_j$), $CT_i \leftarrow$ **Encrypt**($M, sp, gpk_j, dk_{ID_j}, ID_i$), the following equalities hold. Given a group trapdoor $gtd = s_2$ and two ciphertexts $CT_i =$ **Encrypt**

 $(M_i, sp, gpk_j, dk_{ID_j}, ID_i)$ and $CT_j =$ **Encrypt** $(M_j, sp, gpk_i, dk_{ID_i}, ID_j)$, we can compute as follows:

$$C_{i,2}/e(C_{i,1},g^{s})^{s_{2}} = M_{i}^{r_{i,2}}H_{2}(e(h_{ID_{i}}^{s},g^{s_{1}s_{2}})^{r_{i,1}})/e(h_{ID_{i}}^{s_{1}r_{i,1}},g^{s})^{s_{2}}$$

$$= M_{i}^{r_{i,2}}H_{2}(e(h_{ID_{i}},g)^{s_{1}s_{2}r_{i,1}})/e(h_{ID_{i}},g)^{s_{1}s_{2}r_{i,1}} = M_{i}^{r_{i,2}}$$

$$C_{j,2}/e(C_{j,1},g^{s})^{s_{2}} = M_{j}^{r_{j,2}}H_{2}(e(h_{ID_{j}}^{s},g^{s_{1}s_{2}})^{r_{j,1}})/e(h_{ID_{j}}^{s_{1}r_{j,1}},g^{s})^{s_{2}}$$

$$= M_{i}^{r_{j,2}}H_{2}(e(h_{ID_{i}},g)^{s_{1}s_{2}r_{j,1}})/e(h_{ID_{i}},g)^{s_{1}s_{2}r_{j,1}} = M_{i}^{r_{j,2}}$$

Use $M_i^{r_{i,2}}$ to compute $e(M_i^{r_{i,2}}, C_{j,4}) = e(M_i^{r_{i,2}}, g^{sr_{j,2}}) = e(M_i, g)^{sr_{j,2}r_{i,2}}$. Use $M_j^{r_{j,2}}$ to compute $e(M_j^{r_{j,2}}, C_{i,4}) = e(M_j^{r_{j,2}}, g^{sr_{i,2}}) = e(M_j, g)^{sr_{i,2}r_{j,2}}$. If $M_i = M_j$, then $e(M_i^{r_{i,2}}, C_{j,4}) = e(M_j^{r_{j,2}}, C_{i,4})$, which means $Test(CT_i, CT_j, gtd) = 1$.

(3) As for the third condition, we have the following fact: As in the above calculation, for any message $M_i(resp.M_j)$, if $M_i \neq M_j$, which means $e(M_i, g)^{sr_{j,2}r_{i,2}} \neq e(M_j, g)^{sr_{i,2}r_{j,2}}$. Then, $Test(CT_i, CT_j, gtd) = 0$ holds.

4. Security Analysis

This section analyzes the security of the scheme and authorization.

Theorem 2. For a type-1 adversary, under the random oracle model, the presented T-GIBEwET scheme is OW-CCA secure.

Proof. Let A_1 be Type-1 adversary breaking the T-GIBEwET scheme in polynomial time. A_1 makes at most $q_{H_1} > 0$ H_1 -queries, $q_{H_2} > 0$ H_2 -queries, $q_{H_3} > 0$ H_3 -queries, $q_{H_4} > 0$ H_4 -queries, $q_{H_5} > 0$ H_5 -queries, $q_{Key} > 0$ key retrieve queries, $q_{Enc} > 0$ encryption queries, and $q_{Dec} > 0$ decryption queries. We give CT^* to the simulator S. The aim of S is to recover the plaintext of CT^* with a non-negligible advantage.

The game between A_1 and S is described as follows:

Game *G*_{1.0}

Setup: S runs the algorithm **Setup**(1^{*l*}) to create the system parameters $sp = (g, G, G_T, g^s, e, H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4, H_5)$, runs the algorithm **KeyGengroup**(*sp*) to create a group private key $gsk = (s_1, s_2)$, runs the algorithm **Join**(gsk, h_{ID}) to create a group public key $gpk = (h_{ID}^{s_1}, g^{s_1}, g^{s_1s_2})$ for user *ID*, and runs **Auth**(gsk) to create a group trapdoor $gtd = s_2$. Then, S randomly selects ID_1, ID_2 as a challenger sender and a challenger receiver, respectively. Then, S gives the public key and ID_1, ID_2 to A_1 .

Moreover, the challenger S prepares the five hash lists H_1 , H_2 , H_3 , H_4 , H_5 to record all hash queries and answer the random oracle queries, where all hash lists are empty at the beginning. If the same input is asked multiple times, the same answer will be returned.

Phase 1: S responds to the queries made by A_1 in the following ways:

- *H*₁-query: *S* maintains a list of 3-tuples (*ID_i*, *α_i*, *x_i*, *coin_i*) in *H*₁. When *A*₁, ask for *ID_i* queries, and *S* runs as follows:
 - If the query ID_i already in the H_1 list in the form of $(ID_i, \alpha_i, x_i, coin_i)$, S outputs $H_1(ID_i) = \alpha_i \in G^*$ to A_1 .
 - Otherwise, S generates $coin_i \in \{0, 1\}$ randomly. Then, it outputs as follows:
 - * If $coin_i = 0$, S chooses a random number $x_i \in Z_q^*$ and computes $\alpha_i = g^{x_i}$ to A_1 .
 - * Otherwise, S computes $\alpha_i = h_{ID_2}^{x_i}$ to A_1 .

- S adds the tuple $(ID_i, \alpha_i, x_i, coin_i)$ into the H_1 list.
- H_2 -query: S maintains a list of 2-tuples (θ_i, ϑ_i) in H_2 . S chooses $\vartheta_i \in G$ randomly, returns ϑ_i to \mathcal{A}_1 , and adds the tuple (θ_i, ϑ_i) to the H_2 list.
- *H*₃-query: *S* maintains a list of 2-tuples (μ_i, ν_i) in *H*₃. *S* chooses $\nu_i \{0, 1\}^{l+l_1}$ randomly, returns μ_i to A_1 , and adds the tuple (μ_i, ν_i) to the *H*₃ list.
- *H*₄-query: *S* maintains a list of 2-tuples (ρ_i, ξ_i) in *H*₄. *S* chooses $\xi_i \{0, 1\}^l$ randomly, returns ρ_i to A_1 , and adds the tuple (ρ_i, ξ_i) to the *H*₄ list.
- *H*₅-query: *S* maintains a list of 2-tuples (ϕ_i, ϕ_i) in *H*₄. *S* chooses $\phi_i \{0, 1\}^l$ randomly, returns ϕ_i to A_1 , and adds the tuple (ϕ_i, ϕ_i) to the *H*₅ list.
- Extract Query (*ID*): When inputting ID_i , S sends $dk_{ID_i} = \alpha_i$ to A_1 . If $coin_i = 1$, it means that $ID \neq ID_2$. Then, S sends \perp to A_1 .
- Encryption Query: S runs an encryption algorithm and outputs CT =**Encrypt** (M, ID, gpk, sp, dk).
- Decryption queries: With the *CT* to the decryption query, S returns $M = \text{Decrypt}(CT, dk_j)$ to A_1 as follows:
 - If $coin_i = 0$, S uses the private key and outputs the decryption query to A_1 .
 - Otherwise, S outputs \perp to A_1 .
- Authorization Query: S outputs the group trapdoor s_2 to A_1 .

Challenge: S chooses $M^* \subset M$ and $r_1^*, r_2^* \in \{0, 1\}^{l_1}$. It then outputs CT^* as follows:

$$C_{1}^{*} = h_{ID_{1}}^{s_{1}r_{1}}$$

$$C_{2}^{*} = M^{*r_{2}}H_{2}(U_{1}^{r_{1}})$$

$$C_{3}^{*} = g^{r_{1}}$$

$$C_{4}^{*} = g^{sr_{2}}$$

$$C_{5}^{*} = h_{ID_{1}}^{sr_{1}}$$

$$C_{6}^{*} = H_{3}(U_{2}^{r_{1}}) \oplus (M^{*} \parallel r_{1})$$

$$C_{7}^{*} = H_{4}(C_{1}^{*} \parallel C_{2}^{*} \parallel C_{3}^{*} \parallel C_{4}^{*} \parallel C_{5}^{*} \parallel C_{6}^{*} \parallel h_{ID_{1}}^{s})$$

$$C_{8}^{*} = H_{4}(C_{1}^{*} \parallel C_{2}^{*} \parallel C_{3}^{*} \parallel C_{4}^{*} \parallel C_{5}^{*} \parallel C_{6}^{*} \parallel C_{7}^{*} \parallel M^{*} \parallel r_{1}).$$

The ciphertext $CT^* = (C_1^*, C_2^*, C_3^*, C_4^*, C_5^*, C_6^*, C_7^*, C_8^*)$ is output, where:

- $U_1 = e(h_{ID_1}^s, g^{s_1s_2})$
- $U_2 = e(h_{ID_2}, g^s)$

Finally, it sends CT^* to A_1 as the challenge ciphertext.

Phase 2: A_1 performs the same queries as in *Phase 1*; the constraint is that CT^* does not appear in the decryption queries.

Guess: A_1 outputs $M' \subset \mathcal{M}$.

Let $E_{1,0}$ be the event that $M' = M^*$ in **Game** $G_{1,0}$. Then, the advantage is:

$$Adv_{T-GPKE-ET,\mathcal{A}_{1}}^{OW-CCA}(q_{H_{1}},q_{H_{2}},q_{H_{3}},q_{H_{4}},q_{H_{5}},q_{Extr},q_{Enc},q_{Dec}) = Pr[E_{1.0}]$$

Game $G_{1.1}$

Setup: S runs the algorithm **Setup**(1^{*l*}) to create the system parameters $sp = (g, G, G_T, g^s, e, H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4, H_5)$, runs the algorithm **KeyGengroup**(*sp*) to create a group private key $gsk = (s_1, s_2)$, runs the algorithm **Join**(gsk, h_{ID}) to create group public key $gpk = (h_{ID}^{s_1}, g^{s_1}, g^{s_1s_2})$ for user *ID*, and runs **Auth**(gsk) to create the group trapdoor $gtd = s_2$. Then, S randomly selects ID_1, ID_2 as a challenger sender and a challenger receiver, respectively. Then, S gives the public key and ID_1, ID_2 to A_1 .

Moreover, the challenger S prepares the five hash lists H_1 , H_2 , H_3 , H_4 , H_5 to record all hash queries and answer the random oracle queries, where all hash lists are empty at the beginning. If the same input is asked multiple times, the same answer will be returned.

Phase 1: S responds to the queries made by A_1 in the following ways:

- H_1 -query (*ID*), H_2 -query (θ_i), H_3 -query (μ_i), H_4 -query (ρ_i), and H_5 -query (ϕ_i) are the same as in **Game** $G_{1,0}$.
- Extract Query (*ID*): Same as in **Game** *G*_{1.0}.
- Encryption Query: S outputs CT to A_1 as follows: S chooses $r_1, r_2 \in \{0, 1\}^{l_1}$ randomly, and performs the H_1 -query (ID_i) , H_1 -query (ID_j) to obtain α_i , α_j , the H_2 -query $(e(C_1, g^s)^{s_2})$ to obtain ϑ_i , the H_3 -query $(e(\alpha_j, g^s)^{r_1})$ to obtain ν_i , the H_5 -query $(C_1 \parallel C_2 \parallel C_3 \parallel C_4 \parallel C_5 \parallel C_6 \parallel h_{ID_i}^s)$ to obtain φ_i . and the H_4 -query $(C_1 \parallel C_2 \parallel C_3 \parallel C_4 \parallel C_5 \parallel C_6 \parallel h_{ID_i}^s)$ to obtain ξ_i .

$$C_{1} = \alpha_{i}^{s_{1}r_{1}}$$

$$C_{2} = M^{r_{2}}\vartheta_{i}$$

$$C_{3} = g^{r_{2}}$$

$$C_{4} = g^{sr_{2}}$$

$$C_{5} = \alpha_{j}^{sr_{1}}$$

$$C_{6} = \nu_{i} \oplus (M \parallel r_{1})$$

$$C_{7} = \varphi_{i}.$$

$$C_{8} = \xi_{i}.$$

S adds $(e(C_1, g^s)^{s_2}, \vartheta_i)$ to the H_2 list, adds $(e(\alpha_j, g^s)^{r_1}, \nu_i)$ to the H_3 list, adds $(C_1 \parallel C_2 \parallel C_3 \parallel C_4 \parallel C_5 \parallel C_6 \parallel C_7 \parallel M \parallel r_1, \xi_i)$ to the H_4 list, and adds $(C_1 \parallel C_2 \parallel C_3 \parallel C_4 \parallel C_5 \parallel C_6 \parallel h_{1D_i}^s, \varphi_i)$ to the H_5 list.

• Decryption queries: With the *CT* to the decryption query, S returns M =**Decrypt**(*CT*, dk_j) to A_1 as follows: S performs the $H_3(e(\alpha_j, g^s)^{r_1})$ to obtain answer v_i , and performs the H_4 -query($C_1 \parallel C_2 \parallel C_3 \parallel C_4 \parallel C_5 \parallel C_6 \parallel C_7 \parallel M \parallel r_1$) to obtain answer ξ_i . Then, S performs

$$M \parallel r_1 = C_6 \oplus \nu_i.$$

Then, it verifies $C_1 = \alpha_i^{s_1 r_1}$ and $C_8 = \xi_i$. If the verification fails, it returns \perp . Otherwise, S outputs M to A_1 .

• Authorization Query: Same as in **Game** *G*_{1.0}.

Challenge: S chooses $M^* \subset M$, $W \in \{0,1\}^{l+l_1}$ and $r_1, r_2 \in \{0,1\}^{l_1}$. Then, it outputs CT^* as follows:

 $C_{1}^{*} = h_{ID_{1}}^{s_{1}r_{1}}$ $C_{2}^{*} = M^{*r_{2}}H_{2}(U_{1}^{r_{1}})$ $C_{3}^{*} = g^{r_{1}}$ $C_{4}^{*} = g^{sr_{2}}$ $C_{5}^{*} = h_{ID_{1}}^{sr_{1}}$ $C_{6}^{*} = W \oplus (M^{*} \parallel r_{1})$ $C_{7}^{*} = H_{5}(C_{1}^{*} \parallel C_{2}^{*} \parallel C_{3}^{*} \parallel C_{4}^{*} \parallel C_{5}^{*} \parallel C_{6}^{*} \parallel h_{ID_{i}}^{s})$ $C_{8}^{*} = H_{4}(C_{1}^{*} \parallel C_{2}^{*} \parallel C_{3}^{*} \parallel C_{4}^{*} \parallel C_{5}^{*} \parallel C_{6}^{*} \parallel C_{7}^{*} \parallel M^{*} \parallel r_{1})$

where $U_1 = e(h_{ID_1}^s, g^{s_1s_2})$. It outputs the ciphertext $CT^* = (C_1^*, C_2^*, C_3^*, C_4^*, C_5^*, C_6^*, C_7^*, C_8^*)$, and adds $(e(h_{ID_2}, g^s)^{r_1}), W)$ into H_3 .

Finally, it sends CT^* to A_1 as the challenge ciphertext.

Phase 2: A_1 performs the same queries as in *Phase 1*, where the constraint is that CT^* does not appear in the decryption queries.

Guess: A_1 outputs $M' \subset M$. Let $E_{1,1}$ be the event that $M' = M^*$ in **Game** $G_{1,1}$. Then, the advantage is:

$$Pr[E_{1.1}] = Pr[E_{1.0}].$$

Game *G*_{1.2}

Setup: S runs the algorithm **Setup**(1^{*l*}) to create the system parameters $sp = (g, G, G_T, g^s, e, H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4, H_5)$, runs the algorithm **KeyGengroup**(*sp*) to create a group private key $gsk = (s_1, s_2)$, runs the algorithm **Join**(gsk, h_{ID}) to create the group public key $gpk = (h_{ID}^{s_1}, g^{s_1}, g^{s_1s_2})$ for user *ID*, and runs **Auth**(gsk) to create the group trapdoor $gtd = s_2$. Then, S randomly select ID_1, ID_2 as a challenger sender and a challenger receiver, respectively. Then, S gives the public key and ID_1, ID_2 to A_1 .

Moreover, the challenger S prepares the five hash lists H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4, H_5 to record all hash queries and answer the random oracle queries, where all hash lists are empty at the beginning. If the same input is asked multiple times, the same answer will be returned. *Phase 1:* S responds to the queries made by A_1 in the following ways:

- The H_1 -query(*ID*), H_2 -query(θ_i), H_5 -query(ϕ_i), and H_4 -query(ρ_i) are the same as in **Game** $G_{1,1}$.
- The H_3 -query(μ_i) is the same as in **Game** $G_{1,1}$, except that \mathcal{A}_1 asks $e(C_3, h_{ID_2}^s)$.
- Extract Query(*ID*): Same as in **Game** *G*_{1.1}.
- Encryption Query: Same as in **Game** *G*_{1.1}.
- Decryption Queries: Same as in **Game** *G*_{1,1}.
- Authorization Query: Same as in **Game** *G*_{1.1}.

Challenge: S chooses $M^* \subset \mathcal{M}$, $W^* \in \{0,1\}^{l+l_1}$ and $r_1, r_2 \in \{0,1\}^{l_1}$. Then, it outputs CT^* as follows:

$$C_{1}^{*} = h_{ID_{1}}^{s_{I}T_{1}}$$

$$C_{2}^{*} = M^{*r_{2}}H_{2}(U_{1}^{r_{1}})$$

$$C_{3}^{*} = g^{r_{1}}$$

$$C_{4}^{*} = g^{sr_{2}}$$

$$C_{5}^{*} = h_{ID_{1}}^{sr_{1}}$$

$$C_{6}^{*} = W^{*}$$

$$C_{7}^{*} = H_{5}(C_{1}^{*} \parallel C_{2}^{*} \parallel C_{3}^{*} \parallel C_{4}^{*} \parallel C_{5}^{*} \parallel C_{6}^{*} \parallel h_{ID_{i}}^{s}).$$

$$C_{8}^{*} = H_{4}(C_{1}^{*} \parallel C_{2}^{*} \parallel C_{3}^{*} \parallel C_{4}^{*} \parallel C_{5}^{*} \parallel C_{6}^{*} \parallel C_{7}^{*} \parallel M^{*} \parallel r_{1}).$$

where $U_1 = e(h_{ID_1}^s, g^{s_1s_2})$. It outputs the ciphertext $CT^* = (C_1^*, C_2^*, C_3^*, C_4^*, C_5^*, C_6^*, C_7^*, C_8^*)$, and adds $(e(h_{ID_2}, g^s)^{r_1}), W^* \oplus (M^* || r_1))$ into H_3 .

Finally, it sends CT^* to A_1 as the challenge ciphertext.

Phase 2: A_1 performs the same queries as in *Phase 1*, whereqthe constraint is that CT^* does not appear in the decryption Queries, and if A_1 asks for the decryption of $CT^* = (C_1^*, C_2^*, C_3^*, C_4^*, C_5^*, C_6^\prime, C_7^*, C_8^*)$, where $C_6^\prime \neq C_6^*, S$ outputs \perp .

Guess: A_1 outputs $M' \subset M$. \Box

Let $E_{1,2}$ be the event that $M' = M^*$ in **Game** $G_{1,2}$.

Because C'_6 is a random value in **Game** $G_{1.1}$ and **Game** $G_{1.2}$, the challenge ciphertexts generated in **Game** $G_{1.1}$ and **Game** $G_{1.2}$ follow the same distribution. Therefore, if the event E_1 does not occur, **Game** $G_{1.2}$ is identical to **Game** $G_{1.1}$, and we can figure out

$$|Pr[E_{1,2}] - Pr[E_{1,1}]| \le Pr[E_1].$$

Next, we show that the probability of event E_1 occurring in **Game** $G_{1,2}$ is negligible.

Lemma 1. When the C-BDH problem is intractable, there is a negligible probability that the event E_1 happens in **Game** $G_{1,2}$.

Proof. Suppose that $Pr[E_1]$ is non-negligible; we can construct a simulator S to break the C-BDH assumption by using A_1 's attacks. With the tuple $(e, G, G_T, g, g^a, g^c, g^d)$, the aim is to obtain $e(g, g)^{acd}$.

Setup: S randomly selects ID_1 , ID_2 as a challenger sender and a challenger receiver, respectively. Then, S gives the public key and ID_1 , ID_2 to A_1 . S runs the algorithm **Setup**(1^{*l*}) to create the system parameters $sp = (g, G, G_T, g^s, e, H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4, H_5)$, runs the algorithm **KeyGengroup**(*sp*) to create a group private key $gsk = (s_1, s_2)$, runs the algorithm **Join**(gsk, h_{ID}) to create the group public key $gpk = (h_{ID}^{s_1}, g^{s_1}, g^{s_1s_2})$ for user *ID*, and runs **Auth**(gsk) to create the group trapdoor $gtd = s_2$.

Phase 1: *S* responds to the queries made by A_1 in the following ways:

- H_1 -query(*ID*), H_2 -query(θ_i), H_5 -query(ϕ_i), and H_4 -query(ρ_i) are same as in **Game** $G_{1,1}$.
- H_3 -query(μ_i) is same as in **Game** $G_{1,1}$, except that \mathcal{A}_1 asks $e(C_3, h_{ID_2}^s)$
- Extract Query(*ID*): Same as in **Game** $G_{1.1}$.
- Encryption Query: Same as in **Game** $G_{1,1}$, except that for the query $(ID_2, *, *)$, S selects $r_1, r_2 \in \{0, 1\}^{l_1}$ randomly and outputs a ciphertext $CT = (C_1, C_2, C_3, C_4, C_5, C_6, C_7, C_8)$ as follows:

S performs the H_1 -query(ID_i) and H_1 -query(ID_j) to obtain α_i and α_j , respectively, the H_2 -query($e(C_1, g^s)^{s_2}$) to obtain ϑ_i , the H_3 -query($e(\alpha_j, g^s)^{r_1}$) to obtain ν_i , the H_5 -query($C_1 \parallel C_2 \parallel C_3 \parallel C_4 \parallel C_5 \parallel C_6 \parallel h_{ID_i^s}$) to obtain φ_i , and the H_4 -query($C_1 \parallel C_2 \parallel C_3 \parallel C_4 \parallel C_5 \parallel C_6 \parallel h_{ID_i^s}$) to obtain ξ_i .

$$C_1 = \alpha_i^{s_1 r_1}$$

$$C_2 = M^{r_2} \vartheta_i$$

$$C_3 = g^{r_2}$$

$$C_4 = g^{s r_2}$$

$$C_5 = \alpha_j^{s r_2}$$

$$C_6 = \nu_i \oplus (M \parallel r_1)$$

$$C_7 = \varphi_i.$$

$$C_8 = \xi_i.$$

S adds $(e(C_1, g^s)^{s_2}, \vartheta_i)$ to the H_2 list, adds $(e(\alpha_j, g^s)^{r_1}, \nu_i)$ to the H_3 list, and adds $(C_1 \parallel C_2 \parallel C_3 \parallel C_4 \parallel C_5 \parallel C_6 \parallel C_7 \parallel M \parallel r_1, \xi_i)$ to the H_4 list.

- Decryption queries: Same as in **Game** *G*_{1.1}.
- Authorization Query: Same as in **Game** *G*_{1.1}.

Challenge: S chooses $M^* \subset \mathcal{M}, W^* \in \{0,1\}^{l+l_1}$ and $r_1, r_2 \in \{0,1\}^{l_1}$. Then, it outputs CT^* as follows:

$$C_{1}^{*} = h_{ID_{1}}^{s_{1}r_{1}}$$

$$C_{2}^{*} = M^{*r_{2}}H_{2}(U_{1}^{r_{1}})$$

$$C_{3}^{*} = g^{r_{1}}$$

$$C_{4}^{*} = g^{sr_{2}}$$

$$C_{5}^{*} = h_{ID_{1}}^{sr_{1}}$$

$$C_{6}^{*} = W^{*}$$

$$C_{7}^{*} = H_{5}(C_{1}^{*} \parallel C_{2}^{*} \parallel C_{3}^{*} \parallel C_{4}^{*} \parallel C_{5}^{*} \parallel C_{6}^{*} \parallel h_{ID_{1}}^{s})$$

 $C_8^* = H_4(C_1^* \parallel C_2^* \parallel C_3^* \parallel C_4^* \parallel C_5^* \parallel C_6^* \parallel C_7^* \parallel M^* \parallel r_1).$

where $U_1 = e(h_{ID_1}^s, g^{s_1s_2})$. It outputs the ciphertext $CT^* = (C_1^*, C_2^*, C_3^*, C_4^*, C_5^*, C_6^*, C_7^*, C_8^*)$, and adds $(e(h_{ID_2}, g^s)^{r_1}), W^* \oplus (M^* \parallel r_1))$ into H_3 .

Finally, it sends CT^* to A_1 as the challenge ciphertext.

Phase 2: A_1 performs the same queries as in *Phase 1*; the constraint is that CT^* does not appear in the decryption queries, and if A_1 asks for the decryption of $CT^* = (C_1^*, C_2^*, C_3^*, C_4^*, C_5^*, C_6^\prime, C_7^*, C_8^*)$, where $C_6^\prime \neq C_6^*, S$ outputs \perp .

Guess: A_1 outputs $M' \subset M$. \Box

Theorem 3. Under the random oracle model, the proposed T-GIBEwET scheme is IND-CCA secure against a type-2 adversary.

Proof. Let A_2 be a type-2 adversary breaking the T-GIBEwET scheme in polynomial time. A_2 makes at most $q_{H_1} > 0$ H_1 -queries, $q_{H_2} > 0$ H_2 -queries, $q_{H_3} > 0$ H_3 -queries, $q_{H_4} > 0$ H_4 -queries, $q_{H_5} > 0$ H_5 -queries, $q_{Key} > 0$ key retrieve queries, $q_{Enc} > 0$ encryption queries, and $q_{Dec} > 0$ decryption queries. We give CT^* to the simulator S. The aim of S is to recover the plaintext of CT^* with a non-negligible advantage.

The game between A_2 and S is described as follows:

Game *G*_{2.0}

Setup: S runs the algorithm **Setup**(1^{*l*}) to create the system parameters $sp = (g, G, G_T, g^s, e, H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4, H_5)$, runs the algorithm **KeyGengroup**(*sp*) to create a group private key $gsk = (s_1, s_2)$, runs the algorithm **Join**(gsk, h_{ID}) to create the group public key $gpk = (h_{ID}^{s_1}, g^{s_1}, g^{s_1s_2})$ for user *ID*, and runs **Auth**(gsk) to create the group trapdoor $gtd = s_2$. Then, S randomly selects ID_1, ID_2 as a challenger sender and a challenger receiver, respectively. Then, S gives the public key and ID_1, ID_2 to A_2 .

Moreover, the challenger S prepares the five hash lists H_1 , H_2 , H_3 , H_4 , H_5 to record all hash queries and answer the random oracle queries, where all hash lists are empty at the beginning. If the same input is asked multiple times, the same answer will be returned.

Phase 1: S responds to the queries made by A_2 in the following ways:

- *H*₁-query: S maintains a list of 3-tuples (*ID_i*, α_i, x_i, *coin_i*) in *H*₁. When A₂ asks for *ID_i* queries, S runs as follows:
 - If the query ID_i is already in the H_1 list in the form of $(ID_i, \alpha_i, x_i, coin_i)$, S outputs $H_1(ID_i) = \alpha_i \in G^*$ to A_2 .
 - Otherwise, S generates $coin_i \in \{0, 1\}$ randomly. Then, it outputs as follows:
 - * If $coin_i = 0$, S chooses a random number $x_i \in Z_q^*$ and computes $\alpha_i = g^{x_i}$ to A_2 .
 - * Otherwise, S computes $\alpha_i = h_{1D_2}^{x_i}$ to A_2 .
 - S adds the tuple (ID_i , α_i , x_i , $coin_i$) into the H_1 list.
- H_2 -query: S maintains a list of 2-tuples (θ_i, ϑ_i) in H_2 . S chooses $\vartheta_i \in G$ randomly, puts out ϑ_i to A_2 and adds the tuple (θ_i, ϑ_i) to the H_2 list.
- *H*₃-query: S maintains a list of 2-tuples (μ_i , ν_i) in *H*₃. S chooses $\nu_i \{0, 1\}^{l+l_1}$ randomly, puts out μ_i to A_2 and adds the tuple (μ_i , ν_i) to the *H*₃ list.
- H_4 -query: S maintains a list of 2-tuples (ρ_i, ξ_i) in H_4 . S chooses $\xi_i \{0, 1\}^l$ randomly, puts out ρ_i to A_2 and adds the tuple (ρ_i, ξ_i) to the H_4 list.
- *H*₅-query: S maintains a list of 2-tuples (ϕ_i, ϕ_i) in *H*₄. S chooses $\phi_i \{0, 1\}^l$ randomly, returns ϕ_i to A_1 and adds the tuple (ϕ_i, ϕ_i) to the *H*₅ list.
- Extract Query(*ID*): On input of the ID_i , S sends $dk_{ID_i} = \alpha_i$ to A_2 . If $coin_i = 1$, which means $ID \neq ID_2$, then S sends \perp to A_2 .
- Encryption Query: S runs the encryption algorithm and outputs CT = Encrypt(M, gpk, dk, sp).
- Decryption queries: With the *CT* in the decryption query, S returns $M = \text{Decrypt}(CT, dk_j)$ to A_2 as follows:
 - If $coin_i = 0$, S uses the private key and outputs the decryption query to A_2 .

- Otherwise, S outputs \perp to A_2 .
- Authorization Query: It is not allowed.

Challenge: A_2 chooses $M_0, M_1 \subset M$ randomly and sends them to S. Then, S takes $b \in \{0, 1\}$ and $r_1^*, r_2^* \in \{0, 1\}^{l_1}$. It then outputs CT^* as follows:

$$C_{1}^{*} = h_{ID_{1}}^{s_{1}r_{1}}$$

$$C_{2}^{*} = M_{b}^{r_{2}}H_{2}(U_{1}^{r_{1}})$$

$$C_{3}^{*} = g^{r_{1}}$$

$$C_{4}^{*} = g^{sr_{2}}$$

$$C_{5}^{*} = h_{ID_{1}}^{sr_{1}}$$

$$C_{6}^{*} = H_{3}(U_{2}^{r_{1}}) \oplus (M_{b} \parallel r_{1})$$

$$C_{7}^{*} = H_{5}(C_{1}^{*} \parallel C_{2}^{*} \parallel C_{3}^{*} \parallel C_{4}^{*} \parallel C_{5}^{*} \parallel C_{6}^{*} \parallel h_{ID_{1}}^{s}).$$

$$C_{8}^{*} = H_{4}(C_{1}^{*} \parallel C_{2}^{*} \parallel C_{3}^{*} \parallel C_{4}^{*} \parallel C_{5}^{*} \parallel C_{6}^{*} \parallel M_{b} \parallel r_{1}).$$

Output the ciphertext $CT^* = (C_1^*, C_2^*, C_3^*, C_4^*, C_5^*, C_6^*, C_7^*, C_8^*)$,

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$$U_{1} = e(h_{ID_{1}}^{s}, g^{s_{1}s_{2}})$$
$$U_{2} = e(h_{ID_{2}}, g^{s})$$

Finally, it sends CT^* to \mathcal{A}_2 as the challenge ciphertext.

Phase 2: A_2 performs the same queries as in *Phase 1*, where the constraint are as follows:

- CT^* does not appear in the decryption queries.
- In the authorization query, all of the group users cannot be authorized.

Guess: A_2 outputs $b^* \in \{0, 1\}$. Let $E_{2,0}$ be the event that $b = b^*$ in **Game** $G_{2,0}$. Then, the advantage is:

$$Adv_{T-GPKE-ET,A_{2}}^{OW-CCA}(q_{H_{1}},q_{H_{2}},q_{H_{3}},q_{H_{4}},q_{H_{5}},q_{Extr},q_{Enc},q_{Dec}) = Pr[E_{2.0}]$$

Game $G_{2.1}$

S runs the algorithm **Setup** (1^l) to create the system parameters Setup: $sp = (g, G, G_T, g^s, e, H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4)$, runs the algorithm KeyGengroup(sp) to create a group private key $gsk = (s_1, s_2)$, runs the algorithm **Join** (gsk, h_{ID}) to create the group public key $gpk = (h_{ID}^{s_1}, g^{s_1}, g^{s_1s_2})$ for user *ID*, and runs **Auth**(*gsk*) to create the group trapdoor $gtd = s_2$. Then, S randomly selects ID_1 , ID_2 as a challenger sender and a challenger receiver, respectively. Then, S gives the public key and ID_1 , ID_2 to A_2 .

Moreover, the challenger S prepares the four hash lists H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4 to record all hash queries and answer the random oracle queries, where all hash list are empty at the beginning. If the same input is asked multiple times, the same answer will be returned.

Phase 1: S responds to the queries made by A_2 in the following ways:

- ٠ H_1 -query(*ID*), H_2 -query(θ_i), H_3 -query(μ_i), H_5 -query(ϕ_i), and H_4 -query(ρ_i) are the same as in **Game** $G_{2,0}$.
- Extract Query(*ID*): Same as in **Game** $G_{2,0}$.
- Encryption Query: S outputs CT to A_2 as follows:
 - S chooses $r_1, r_2 \in \{0, 1\}^{l_1}$ randomly, and performs the H_1 -query(ID_i) and H_1 -query(ID_i) to obtain α_i and α_i , respectively, the H_2 -query($e(C_1, g^s)^{s_2}$) to obtain ϑ_i , the H_3 query($e(\alpha_i, g^s)^{r_1}$) to obtain ν_i , the H_5 -query($C_1 \parallel C_2 \parallel C_3 \parallel C_4 \parallel C_5 \parallel C_6 \parallel h_{ID_i}^s$) to obtain φ_i , and the H_4 -query($C_1 \parallel C_2 \parallel C_3 \parallel C_4 \parallel C_5 \parallel C_6 \parallel C_7 \parallel M \parallel r_1$) to obtain ξ_i .

$$C_1 = \alpha_i^{s_1 r_1}$$

 $C_{2} = M^{r_{2}}\vartheta_{i}$ $C_{3} = g^{r_{2}}$ $C_{4} = g^{sr_{2}}$ $C_{5} = \alpha_{j}^{sr_{1}}$ $C_{6} = \nu_{i} \oplus (M \parallel r_{1})$ $C_{7} = \varphi_{i}$ $C_{8} = \xi_{i}.$

S adds $(e(C_1, g^s)^{s_2}, \vartheta_i)$ to the H_2 list, adds $(e(\alpha_j, g^s)^{r_1}, \nu_i)$ to the H_3 list, adds $(C_1 \parallel C_2 \parallel C_3 \parallel C_4 \parallel C_5 \parallel C_6 \parallel C_7 \parallel M \parallel r_1, \xi_i)$ to the H_4 list, and adds $(C_1 \parallel C_2 \parallel C_3 \parallel C_4 \parallel C_5 \parallel C_6 \parallel h_{1D_i}^s, \varphi_i)$ to the H_5 list.

• Decryption queries: With the *CT* to the decryption query, S returns M =**Decrypt**(*CT*, sk_j) to A_2 as follows: S performs the $H_3(e(\alpha_j, g^s)^{r_1})$ to obtain answer v_i , and performs the H_4 -query($C_1 \parallel C_2 \parallel C_3 \parallel C_4 \parallel C_5 \parallel C_6 \parallel C_7 \parallel M \parallel r_1$) to obtain answer ξ_i . Then, S performs

$$M \parallel r_1 = C_6 \oplus v_i$$

Then, $C_1 = \alpha_i^{s_1 r_1}$ and $C_8 = \xi_i$ are verified. If the verification fails, it returns \perp . Otherwise, *S* outputs *M* to A_2 .

• Authorization Query: It is not allowed.

Challenge: A_2 chooses $M_0, M_1 \subset \mathcal{M}$ randomly and sends them to S. Then, S takes $b \in \{0,1\}$, $W \in \{0,1\}^{l+l_1}$ and $r_1^*, r_2^* \in \{0,1\}^{l_1}$. It then outputs CT^* as follows:

$$C_{1}^{*} = h_{ID_{1}}^{s_{1}r_{1}}$$

$$C_{2}^{*} = M_{b}^{r_{2}}H_{2}(U_{1}^{r_{1}})$$

$$C_{3}^{*} = g^{r_{1}}$$

$$C_{4}^{*} = g^{sr_{2}}$$

$$C_{5}^{*} = h_{ID_{1}}^{sr_{1}}$$

$$C_{6}^{*} = W \oplus (M_{b} \parallel r_{1})$$

$$C_{7}^{*} = H_{5}(C_{1}^{*} \parallel C_{2}^{*} \parallel C_{3}^{*} \parallel C_{4}^{*} \parallel C_{5}^{*} \parallel C_{6}^{*} \parallel h_{ID_{1}}^{s})$$

$$C_{8}^{*} = H_{4}(C_{1}^{*} \parallel C_{2}^{*} \parallel C_{3}^{*} \parallel C_{5}^{*} \parallel C_{6}^{*} \parallel C_{7}^{*} \parallel M_{b} \parallel r_{1}$$

where $U_1 = e(h_{ID_1}^s, g^{s_1s_2})$. It outputs the ciphertext $CT^* = (C_1^*, C_2^*, C_3^*, C_4^*, C_5^*, C_6^*, C_7^*, C_8^*)$, and adds $(e(h_{ID_2}, g^s)^{r_1}), W)$ into H_3 .

Finally, it sends CT^* to A_2 as the challenge ciphertext.

Phase 2: A_2 performs the same queries as in *Phase 1*; the constraint are as follows:

• *CT*^{*} does not appear in the decryption queries.

In the authorization query, all of the group users cannot be authorized.

Guess: A_2 outputs $b^* \in \{0, 1\}$. Let $E_{2,1}$ be the event that $b = b^*$ in **Game** $G_{2,1}$. Then, the advantage is

$$Pr[E_{2.1}] = Pr[E_{2.0}]$$

Game *G*_{2.2}

Setup: S runs the algorithm **Setup**(1^{*l*}) to create the system parameters $sp = (g, G, G_T, g^s, e, H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4, H_5)$, runs the algorithm **KeyGengroup**(*sp*) to create a group private key $gsk = (s_1, s_2)$, runs the algorithm **Join**(gsk, h_{ID}) to create the group public key $gpk = (h_{ID}^{s_1}, g^{s_1}, g^{s_1s_2})$ for user *ID*, and runs **Auth**(gsk) to create the group trap-

door $gtd = s_2$. Then, S randomly selects ID_1 , ID_2 as a challenger sender and a challenger receiver, respectively. Then, S gives the public key and ID_1 , ID_2 to A_2 .

Moreover, the challenger S prepares the five hash lists H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4, H_5 to record all hash queries and answers the random oracle queries, where all hash list are empty at the beginning. If the same input is asked multiple times, the same answer will be returned. *Phase 1:* S responds to the queries made by A_2 in the following ways:

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- H_1 -query(*ID*), H_2 -query(θ_i), H_5 -query(ϕ_i), and H_4 -query(ρ_i) are the same as in **Game** $G_{2.1}$.
- H_3 -query(μ_i) is the same as in **Game** $G_{2,1}$, except that \mathcal{A}_2 asks $e(C_3, h_{ID_2}^s)$.
- Extract Query(*ID*): Same as in **Game** *G*_{2.1}.
- Encryption Query: Same as in **Game** *G*_{2.1}.
- Decryption Queries: Same as in **Game** *G*_{2.1}.
- Authorization Query: Same as in **Game** *G*_{2.1}.

Challenge: A_2 chooses $M_0, M_1 \subset \mathcal{M}$ randomly and sends them to S. Then, S takes $b \in \{0,1\}, W^* \in \{0,1\}^{l+l_1}$ and $r_1, r_2 \in \{0,1\}^{l_1}$. It then outputs CT^* as follows:

$$C_{1}^{*} = h_{ID_{1}}^{s_{1}r_{1}}$$

$$C_{2}^{*} = M_{b}^{r_{2}}H_{2}(U_{1}^{r_{1}})$$

$$C_{3}^{*} = g^{r_{1}}$$

$$C_{4}^{*} = g^{sr_{2}}$$

$$C_{5}^{*} = h_{ID_{1}}^{sr_{2}}$$

$$C_{6}^{*} = W^{*}$$

$$C_{7}^{*} = H_{5}(C_{1}^{*} \parallel C_{2}^{*} \parallel C_{3}^{*} \parallel C_{4}^{*} \parallel C_{5}^{*} \parallel C_{6}^{*} \parallel h_{ID_{1}}^{s}).$$

$$= H_{4}(C_{1}^{*} \parallel C_{2}^{*} \parallel C_{3}^{*} \parallel C_{4}^{*} \parallel C_{5}^{*} \parallel C_{6}^{*} \parallel C_{7}^{*} \parallel M_{b} \parallel r_{1})$$

where $U_1 = e(h_{ID_1}^s, g^{s_1s_2})$. It outputs the ciphertext $CT^* = (C_1^*, C_2^*, C_3^*, C_4^*, C_5^*, C_6^*, C_7^*, C_8^*)$, and adds $(e(h_{ID_2}, g^s)^{r_1}), W^* \oplus (M^* || r_1))$ into H_3 .

Finally, it sends CT^* to A_2 as the challenge ciphertext.

Phase 2: A_2 performs the same queries as in *Phase 1*, where the constraint is that CT^* does not appear in the decryption queries, and if A_2 asks for the decryption of $CT^* = (C_1^*, C_2^*, C_3^*, C_4^*, C_5^*, C_6', C_7, C_8^*)$, where $C_6' \neq C_6^*, S$ outputs \bot .

Guess: A_2 outputs $b^* \in \{0,1\}$. \Box

 C_{8}^{*}

Let $E_{2,2}$ be the event that $b = b^*$ in **Game** $G_{2,2}$.

Because C'_{6} is a random value in **Game** $G_{2,1}$ and **Game** $G_{2,2}$, the challenge ciphertexts generated in **Game** $G_{2,1}$ and **Game** $G_{2,2}$ follow the same distribution. Therefore, if the event E_2 does not occur, **Game** $G_{2,2}$ is identical to **Game** $G_{2,1}$. And we can figure out that

$$|Pr[E_{2,2}] - Pr[E_{2,1}]| \le Pr[E_2].$$

Next, we show that the probability of event E_2 occurring in **Game** $G_{2,2}$ is negligible.

Lemma 2. When the C-BDH problem is intractable, there is negligible probability that the event E_2 will happen in **Game** $G_{2,2}$.

Proof. Suppose that $Pr[E_2]$ is non-negligible; we can construct a simulator S to break the C-BDH assumption by using the A_2 's attacks. With the tuple $(e, G, G_T, g, g^a, g^c, g^d)$, the aim is to obtain $e(g, g)^{acd}$.

Setup: S randomly select ID_1 , ID_2 as a challenger sender and a challenger receiver, respectively. Then, S gives the public key and ID_1 , ID_2 to A_2 . S runs the algorithm **Setup**(1^{*l*}) to create the system parameters $sp = (g, G, G_T, g^s, e, H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4, H_5)$, runs the algorithm **KeyGengroup**(*sp*) to create a group private key $gsk = (s_1, s_2)$, runs the

algorithm **Join**(*gsk*, *h*_{*ID*}) to create the group public key $gpk = (h_{ID}^{s_1}, g^{s_1}, g^{s_1s_2})$ for user *ID*, and runs **Auth**(*gsk*) to create the group trapdoor $gtd = s_2$.

Phase 1: *S* responds to the queries made by A_2 in the following ways:

- H_1 -query(*ID*), H_2 -query(θ_i), H_5 -query(ϕ_i), and H_4 -query(ρ_i) are the same as in **Game** $G_{2,1}$.
- H_3 -query(μ_i) is the same as in **Game** $G_{2,1}$, except that \mathcal{A}_2 asks for $e(C_3, h_{ID_2}^s)$.
- Extract Query (*ID*): Same as in **Game** *G*_{2.1}.
- Encryption Query: Same as in **Game** $G_{2,1}$, except that for the query $(ID_2, *, *)$, S selects $r_1, r_2 \in \{0, 1\}^{l_1}$ randomly and outputs a ciphertext $CT = (C_1, C_2, C_3, C_4, C_5, C_6, C_7, C_8)$ as follows:

S performs the H_1 -query(ID_i) and H_1 -query(ID_j) to obtain α_i and α_j , respectively, the H_2 -query($e(C_1, g^s)^{s_2}$) to obtain ϑ_i , the H_3 -query($e(\alpha_j, g^s)^{r_1}$) to obtain ν_i , the H_5 -query($C_1 \parallel C_2 \parallel C_3 \parallel C_4 \parallel C_5 \parallel C_6 \parallel h_{ID_i}^s$) to obtain φ_i , and the H_4 -query($C_1 \parallel C_2 \parallel C_3 \parallel C_4 \parallel C_5 \parallel C_6 \parallel h_{ID_i}^s$) to obtain ξ_i .

$$C_{1} = \alpha_{i}^{s_{1}r_{1}}$$

$$C_{2} = M^{r_{2}}\vartheta_{i}$$

$$C_{3} = g^{r_{2}}$$

$$C_{4} = g^{sr_{2}}$$

$$C_{5} = \alpha_{j}^{sr_{1}}$$

$$C_{6} = v_{i} \oplus (M \parallel r_{1})$$

$$C_{7} = \varphi_{i}$$

$$C_{8} = \xi_{i}.$$

S adds $(e(C_1, g^s)^{s_2}, \vartheta_i)$ to the H_2 list, adds $(e(\alpha_j, g^s)^{r_1}, \nu_i)$ to the H_3 list, adds $(C_1 \parallel C_2 \parallel C_3 \parallel C_4 \parallel C_5 \parallel C_6 \parallel C_7 \parallel M \parallel r_1, \xi_i)$ to the H_4 list, and adds $(C_1 \parallel C_2 \parallel C_3 \parallel C_4 \parallel C_5 \parallel C_6 \parallel h_{1D_i}^s, \varphi_i)$ to the H_5 list.

• Decryption Queries: Same as in **Game** *G*_{2.1}.

Challenge: A_2 chooses $M_0, M_1 \subset \mathcal{M}$ randomly and sends them to S. Then, S takes $b \in \{0,1\}, W^* \in \{0,1\}^{l+l_1}$, and $r_1, r_2 \in \{0,1\}^{l_1}$. Then, it outputs CT^* as follows:

$$C_{1}^{*} = h_{ID_{1}}^{s_{1}r_{1}}$$

$$C_{2}^{*} = M_{b}^{r_{2}}H_{2}(U_{1}^{r_{1}})$$

$$C_{3}^{*} = g^{r_{1}}$$

$$C_{4}^{*} = g^{sr_{2}}$$

$$C_{5}^{*} = h_{ID_{1}}^{sr_{1}}$$

$$C_{6}^{*} = W^{*}$$

$$C_7^* = H_5(C_1^* \parallel C_2^* \parallel C_3^* \parallel C_4^* \parallel C_5^* \parallel C_6^* \parallel h_{ID_1}^s).$$

$$C_8^* = H_4(C_1^* \parallel C_2^* \parallel C_3^* \parallel C_4^* \parallel C_5^* \parallel C_6^* \parallel C_7^* \parallel M_b \parallel r_1)$$

where $U_1 = e(h_{ID_1}^s, g^{s_1s_2})$. It outputs the ciphertext $CT^* = (C_1^*, C_2^*, C_3^*, C_4^*, C_5^*, C_6^*, C_7^*, C_8^*)$, and adds $(e(h_{ID_2}, g^s)^{r_1}), W^* \oplus (M_b || r_1))$ into H_3 .

Finally, it sends CT^* to A_2 as the challenge ciphertext.

Phase 2: A_2 performs the same queries as in **Phase 1**, where the constraint is that CT^* does not appear in the decryption queries, and if A_2 asks for the decryption of $CT^* = (C_1^*, C_2^*, C_3^*, C_4^*, C_5^*, C_6^*, C_7^*, C_8^*)$, where $C_6' \neq C_6^*, S$ outputs \perp .

Guess: \mathcal{A}_2 outputs $b^* \in \{0, 1\}$. \Box

5. Performance Comparison

In this section, a performance comparison between the presented T-GIBEwET scheme and other related schemes is discussed. As illustrated in Table 2, our proposal supports the traceability function and others do not. In Table 3, the comparison of efficiency with PKEwET variants is shown. The second to sixth columns reveal the computational efficiency for the algorithms of encryption, decryption, authorization, testing, and tracing. Compared to [7,16,17,35], the proposed T-GIBEwET scheme is more efficient than [7,16,17] in the decryption algorithm and more efficient than [17] in the authorization algorithm. Both authorization and tracking are supported in this paper.

Table 2. Comparison with other schemes.

Scheme	Authorized	Ciphertext Test	Traceable
[7]	-	\checkmark	-
[16]	\checkmark	\checkmark	-
[17]	\checkmark	\checkmark	-
[35]	\checkmark	\checkmark	-
T-GIBEwET	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark

Table 3. Comparison of efficiency with other schemes.

Scheme	C_{Enc}	C_{Dec}	C_{Auth}	C_{Test}	C _{Trac}
[7]	3E	3E	-	2P	-
[16]	5E+2P	2E+2P	0	4P	-
[17]	(n+2)E+2P	(n+1)P+E	nE	nP	-
[35]	5E	2E	0	2E+2P	-
[34]	$4\mathrm{E}$	2E	0	2E	-
T-GIBEwET	7E+2P	E+P	0	2E+4P	2P
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E and P are the exponentiation operation and the the pairing operation, respectively, in group G.

6. Conclusions

In this paper we analyzed the PKEwET scheme, pointed out that the PKEwET algorithm is unable to keep track of ciphertexts in the cloud sever, and proposed the a traceable group ID-based encryption with an equality test scheme (T-GIBEwET). The T-GIBEwET algorithm is endowed with a special function: the users who are authorized by a trapdoor can test the ciphertexts in the cloud sever. Moreover, the proposed scheme supports the traceability function.

To simplify the public key management mechanism, the proposed scheme was designed with ID-based encryption. According to the competence of different users, the proposal can resist OW-CCA and IND-CCA security. Additionally, the T-GIBEwET scheme can resist a plaintext space attack.

Compared with other existing works, our proposal is more practical for use in cloud computing services.

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Abbreviations

The following abbreviations are used in this manuscript:

IoT	Internet of Things
SE	Searchable Encryption
IBEwET	ID-Based Encryption with Equality Test
GIBE	Group ID-Based Encryption
T-GIBEwET	Traceable GIBE with Equality Test Scheme

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