# **Proof of Security**

## **Charting the Course**

Proof of security in two steps. We will base multi-TA WIBE security (IND-smWID-CPA) on multi-TA HIBE security (IND-smID-CPA), which in turn will be based on the Bilinear Decision Diffie-Hellman problem (BDDH). In the construction of this Boneh-Boyen-based scheme, each  $TA_j$  has a private key  $d_j = (\Sigma \alpha_i \cdot g_2 + \Sigma r_{i,j}(u_{0,0} + ID_{j,1} \cdot u_{0,1}), \Sigma r_{i,j} \cdot g_1)$  with summations over  $i \in \{1...n\}$ . These keys are constructed by taking input from each  $TA_j$  of the form  $(\alpha_j)$ 

#### **HIBE to WIBE**

#### Theorem:

If the Boneh-Boyen multi-*TA* HIBE is IND-smID-CPA secure then its respective WIBE is IND-smWID-CPA secure.

#### **Proof:**

The proof will follow by contradiction. Assume an adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  with an advantage in the IND-smID-CPA game for the WIBE. We will construct another adversary  $\mathcal{B}$  which, using  $\mathcal{A}$  as a black box, will gain an advantage in the IND-sID-CPA game for the HIBE.

#### Initialization:

The challenger announces to  $\mathcal{B}$  a set of n TA's  $(TA_1, ..., TA_n)$  and a maximum hierarchy depth L.  $\mathcal{B}$  begins interacting with  $\mathcal{A}$  and repeats the TA's and depth to  $\mathcal{A}$  verbatim.  $\mathcal{A}$  responds with a challenge identity  $P^* = (P_1, ..., P_K)$  with  $P_1 \in \{TA_1, ..., TA_n\}$  or  $P_1 = "*"$ . Since  $\mathcal{B}$  cannot have any wildcards in his challenge identity we will take the non-wildcard portions of  $P^*$  to make a fixed identity  $ID^*$ . We set  $\mathcal{B}$ 's challenge

identity to be  $ID^* = ID_i^* = P_{\pi(i)}^*$  where the map  $\pi(i) = i - |W(P_{\leq i}^*)| \forall i \notin W(P^*)$ , dropping the wildcard portion.  $\mathcal{B}$  announces this  $ID^*$  as his choice of challenge identity.

#### Setup:

The challenger runs Setup to generate HIBE parameters  $\{g_1, g_2, u_{0,0}, ..., u_{L,1}\}$ . Upon receiving these parameters,  $\mathcal{B}$  sets his own  $\hat{u}_{i,j} = u_{i,j} \forall i \notin W(P)$  and  $\hat{u}_{i,j} = g_1 \forall i \in W(P)$  and announces to  $\mathcal{A}$  WIBE parameters  $\{g_1, g_2, \hat{u}_{0,0}, ... \hat{u}_{L,1}\}$ .

#### Queries:

Any valid query made by  $\mathcal{A}$  must be answered by  $\mathcal{B}$ , possibly after consulting her own oracles. The adversaries  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  have the same oracles available: SetupCoalitionBroadcast, SetupCoalitionKeys, CorruptTA, and CorruptUser.

Since the TA's available to form coalitions are identical for  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$ , any queries to the SetupCoalitionBroadcast and SetupCoalitionKeys oracles made by  $\mathcal{A}$  may be repeated verbatim by  $\mathcal{B}$ . Queries made to the CorruptTA oracle may be made for any  $TA \neq P_1$  when  $P_1 \neq "*"$ , if the challenge pattern has a wildcard on the TA-level  $(P_1 = "*")$  then any TA is an ancestor of the challenge recipient and no CorruptTA queries may be made.

Queries to the CorruptUser oracle may be made of any node that is not an ancestor of the challenge pattern, i.e. a user  $ID = (ID_1, ..., ID_j)$  may not be corrupted if  $P_i \in ID_i$ , "\*" $\forall i \leq j$ . To answer a CorruptUser query,  $\mathcal B$  projects the identity  $ID = (ID_1, ID_2, ..., ID_j)$  from the WIBE to the HIBE as  $ID' = ID_{\pi(i)}$  and queries her CorruptUser oracle for  $d_{ID'} = (a_0, a_1, ..., a_{pi(j)})$ .  $\mathcal B$  must now fill in the missing pieces of the key  $d_{ID}$ . First  $\mathcal B$  sets  $b_i = a_{\pi^{-1}(i)} \forall i > 0$ . Then  $\mathcal B$  chooses  $r_i \leftarrow \mathbb F_p$  randomly and sets  $b_i = r_i \cdot g_1$  for the missing values of i > 0. Finally  $\mathcal B$  sets the value of  $b_0 = a_0 \cdot \Pi r_i (\hat u_{i,0} + ID_i \cdot \hat u_{i,1})$  and answers  $\mathcal A$ 's query with  $d_{ID} = (b_0, b_1, ..., b_j)$ .

#### Challenge:

The final oracle available to both  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  is the Test oracle, which takes two messages  $m_0$  and  $m_1$  and returns the encrypted  $m_b$  for an unknown  $b \in \{0,1\}$ .  $\mathcal{B}$  allows  $\mathcal{A}$  to choose the two messages and passes them on to his Test oracle.  $\mathcal{B}$  must then remap elements of the ciphertext from the HIBE setting to the WIBE setting, recall the anatomy of a ciphertext C in the HIBE:

$$C_1 = t \cdot g_1$$

$$C_{2,i} = t \cdot (u_{i,0} + (P_i) \cdot u_{i,1})$$

$$C_3 = m \cdot e((\Sigma \alpha_i) \cdot g_1, g_2)^t$$

Note that there are no  $C_{4,i,j}$  elements because addresses in the HIBE do not have wildcards. The challenge pattern  $P^*$  lives in the WIBE setting and is allowed to contain wildcards,  $\mathcal{B}$  must adjust the ciphertext for any wildcards present as follows:

$$C_1'=C_1$$
 
$$C_{2,i}'=C_{2,\pi(i)} \text{ for all } i\notin W(P^*)$$
 
$$C_3'=C_3$$
 
$$C_{4,i,j}'=C_1 \text{ for all } i\in W(P^*) \text{ and } j\in\{0,1\}$$

This is a valid ciphertext because of our choice of  $\hat{u}_{i,j} = g_1$  for all  $i \in W(P^*)$ . This means that for  $i \in W(P^*)$  the value needed for  $C'_{4,i,j} = t \cdot u_{i,j} = t \cdot g_1 = C_1$ .  $\mathcal{B}$  returns this ciphertext to  $\mathcal{A}$  as response to the  $\mathcal{A}$ 's Test query.  $\mathcal{A}$  responds with a guess of  $c \in \{0,1\}$  as the proper value of b, which  $\mathcal{B}$  repeats as her guess. Any advantage in the IND-smWID-CPA game that  $\mathcal{A}$  has is then transferred onto  $\mathcal{B}$ .

### **BDDH to HIBE**

Theorem:

If the Bilinear Decisional Diffie-Hellman assumption holds then the multi-*TA* Boneh-Boyen HIBE scheme is IND-smID-CPA secure.

Proof:

We will assume the existence of an adversary  $\mathcal{A}$ , with non-negligible advantage in the IND-smID-CPA game to construct a new adversary  $\mathcal{B}$  who, using  $\mathcal{A}$  as a black box, gains a non-negligible advantage in the BDDH game. To start the BDDH game  $\mathcal{B}$  is given a 5-tuple  $\{g, g^a, g^b, g^c, Z\}$  with  $g \in \mathbb{G}_1$  and  $Z \in \mathbb{G}_2$ , and must decide whether  $Z = e(g,g)^{abc}$  or if  $Z = e(g,g)^z$  for a random  $z \in \mathbb{F}_1$ .

Initialization:

 $\mathcal{B}$  begins interacting with  $\mathcal{A}$  announcing a set of TA's  $(TA_1, ..., TA_n)$  available to form coalitions and a maximum hierarchy depth L.  $\mathcal{A}$  replies with a challenge identity  $ID = (ID_1, ..., ID_j)$  for some j < L.

Setup:

 $\mathcal{B}$  must construct a multi-TA HIBE for  $\mathcal{A}$  and give parameters  $g_1,g_2,u_{0,0},u_{1,0},...,u_{L,0},u_{0,1},u_{1,1},...,u_{L,1}$  to  $\mathcal{A}$ .