

# Memory-Tight Reductions for Practical Key Encapsulation Mechanisms

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Abstract. The efficiency of a black-box reduction is an important goal of modern cryptography. Traditionally, the time complexity and the success probability were considered as the main aspects of efficiency measurements. In CRYPTO 2017, Auerbach *et al.* introduced the notion of memory-tightness in cryptographic reductions and showed a memorytight reduction of the existential unforgeability of the RSA-FDH signature scheme. Unfortunately, their techniques do not extend directly to the reductions involving intricate RO-programming. The problem seems to be inherent as all the other existing results on memory-tightness are lower bounds and impossibility results. In fact, Auerbach *et al.* conjectured that a memory-tight reduction for IND-CCA security of Hashed-ElGamal KEM is impossible.

- We refute the above conjecture. Using a simple RO simulation technique, we provide memory-tight reductions of IND-CCA security of the Cramer-Shoup and the ECIES version of Hashed-ElGamal KEM.
- We prove memory-tight reductions for different variants of Fujisaki-Okamoto Transformation. We analyze the modular transformations introduced by Hofheinz, Hövermanns and Kiltz (TCC 2017). In addition to the constructions involving implicit rejection, we present a memory-tight reduction for the IND-CCA security of the transformation  $\text{QFO}_{\text{m}}^{\perp}$ . Our techniques can withstand correctness-errors, and applicable to several lattice-based KEM candidates.

**Keywords:** Memory-tight reduction  $\cdot$  Hashed-ElGamal  $\cdot$  FO transformation

# 1 Introduction

Memory Efficiency of Black-Box Reductions. Black-box reduction is an imperative tool in modern cryptography. The security of any scheme S is typically argued by an algorithm R. Given an adversary,  $\mathcal{A}_S$  against S, R with black-box access to  $\mathcal{A}$  is shown to solve some underlying hard problem  $\mathcal{P}$ . The efficiency of a black-box reduction is measured by the resources R uses, typically in terms of  $\mathcal{A}$ . Traditionally the reductions aimed at optimizing the time complexity and/or the success probability [4,5,11]. However, Auerbach *et al.* [3] observed that some reductions which are *tight* in success probability and

time complexity, require a large amount of memory. If the underlying problem is memory sensitive (easier to solve with larger memory), then a memory loose reduction does not rule out the existence of an efficient adversary. They noted further that many of the standard assumptions including LPN, SVP, Discrete Logarithm Problem in prime fields, factoring are memory sensitive. Hence it is imperative to find memory-efficient reductions when the security is based on the hardness of these problems.

Unfortunately, most of the existing results on memory-tight reductions are lower bounds. In [3], authors ruled out memory-tight, restricted black-box reductions for the security of multi-signatures from unique signatures, and multicollision resistance from collision resistance. In [21], Wang *et al.* showed lower bounds for a larger class of black-box reductions including the security of public-key encryption and signature schemes in the multi-user setting. In [14], Demay *et al.* considered the indifferentiability notion in the memory restricted setting, and proved the impossibility of domain extension of hash functions (even by one bit).

On the other hand, to the best of our knowledge, the only positive result so far is the memory-efficient reduction for RSA FDH in the Random Oracle model [3]. The authors introduced new techniques for the random oracle model and showed, using pseudo-random functions and the power of rewinding the adversary once, one can prove a memory-tight reduction of the existential unforgeability of RSA-FDH from RSA assumption. Their technique seems to be generally applicable for hash and sign paradigm, where the domain of the underlying trapdoor permutation enjoys some form of homomorphism (required for applying Coron's technique [12]).

**Key Encapsulation Mechanisms.** A Key Encapsulation Mechanism (KEM) is a fundamental primitive to construct efficient public-key cryptosystem. Research in KEM design has been rejuvenated in the last few years due to the ongoing effort to standardize post-quantum cryptographic algorithms. While constructions of IND-CCA secure KEM in the "classical" setting have been known for years (see [15] for a comprehensive treatment), the reductions were non-tight, and required perfect correctness from the underlying public-key encryption scheme. There are numerous recent works on KEM in the quantum setting [10, 16, 17, 19, 20]. However, not much progress has been made in the classical setting until the work of Hofheinz, Hövermanns and Kiltz [16]. HHK revisited the KEM version of Fujisaki Okamoto transformations and presented a modular analysis of multiple variants. Their results, notably include, *tight* reduction (traditional sense) even when underlying public-key encryption scheme has some correctness error.

### 1.1 Our Contributions

In this paper, we present memory-efficient reductions of the IND-CCA security of hashed-ElGamal and other variants of Fujisaki-Okamoto transformations.

**Memory-Tight Reduction for Hashed-ElGamal.** Our starting point is the following conjecture of Auerbach *et al.* [3].

#### Conjecture 1 [3]. Memory-tight Reduction for Hashed-ElGamal does not exist.

In this paper, we refute the above conjecture. We introduce a simple "mapthen-prf" technique to simulate the random oracle in a memory-efficient way. Our technique programs the Random Oracle non-adaptively, avoiding the need to tabulate the Random Oracle queries. We consider two versions of Hashed-ElGamal KEM, ECIES [1,2] and HEG [13]. We summarize these results in the following two informal theorems.

**Theorem 2 (Informal).** Let  $\mathbb{G}$  be a prime-order cyclic group. Let  $F : \{0,1\}^{\lambda+1} \times \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \to \mathcal{K}$  be a prf. There exists a memory-tight reduction, in the random oracle model, of the IND-CCA security of HEG over  $\mathbb{G}$  and  $\mathcal{K}$  from the gap-Diffie-Hellman problem over  $\mathbb{G}$ .

**Theorem 3 (Informal).** Let  $\mathbb{G}, \mathbb{G}_T$  be prime-order cyclic groups and  $\hat{e} : \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \to \mathbb{G}_T$  be a bilinear map. Let  $F : \{0,1\}^{\lambda} \times \mathbb{G}_T \to \mathcal{K}$  be a prf. There exists a memory-tight reduction, in the random oracle model, of the IND-CCA security of ECIES over  $\mathbb{G}$  and  $\mathcal{K}$  from the Computational-Diffie-Hellman problem over  $\mathbb{G}$ .

Memory-Tight Reduction for Variants of Fujisaki-Okamoto Transformations. Fujisaki-Okamoto transformation and other related KEM constructions have gained particular importance in recent years for their applications in constructing post-quantum KEM schemes. In particular, the modular analysis in [16] has been applied widely in constructing lattice-based candidates. In this paper, we prove memory-tight reduction for three variants of Fujisaki-Okamoto transformations (described in Table 1).

We revisit the analysis in [16] and show techniques for memory-tight reductions for all the modules, even withstanding the correctness errors. We summarize the results below.

- **Transformations**  $U^{\not L}, U_m^{\not L}, U_m^{\perp}, U_m^{\perp}$ . In [16], the authors presented four closely related modules to construct an IND-CCA secure KEM from a public-key encryption scheme PKE. The security requirement from PKE depends on the specific variant of U. In this paper, we show new RO simulation techniques for all the four variants to convert corresponding the reductions in [16] into memory-tight ones.
- **Preprocessing Module** *T*. In [16], the transformation *T* was presented as the preprocessing module to convert (with a tight reduction) an IND-CPA secure public-key encryption scheme  $\overline{\mathsf{PKE}}$  to a deterministic OW-PCVA secure public-key encryption scheme. We observe that the RO simulation technique of Auerbach *et al.* [3], is sufficient for a memory-tight reduction for OW-PCA security of  $T[\overline{\mathsf{PKE}}]$ . When applied with the new reductions for  $U^{\not{\perp}}$ and  $U^{\not{\perp}}$ , this gives a memory-tight reduction for the IND-CCA security of KEM<sup> $\not{\perp}$ </sup> and KEM<sup> $\not{\perp}$ </sup> respectively.
- A new intermediate module V. The modules with explicit reject, (namely  $U_m^{\perp}$  and  $U^{\perp}$ ) require security relative to a ciphertext verification oracle. Unfortunately, our technique only proves OW-PCA security of T. To bridge the gap,

we present a transformation V to convert a OW-PCA deterministic publickey encryption scheme to a OW-PCVA deterministic public-key encryption scheme via a memory-efficient reduction. When applied with T and  $U_m^{\perp}$ , we get a memory efficient reduction (in the *classical* setting) for the scheme QKEM<sub>m</sub><sup> $\perp$ </sup> of [16] (Table 4 in [15]).

**Table 1.** Considered variants of Fujisaki-Okamoto transformations.  $\overline{\mathsf{PKE}} = (\overline{\mathsf{Keygen}}, \overline{\mathsf{Enc}}, \overline{\mathsf{Dec}})$  is an IND-CPA secure public-key encryption scheme. In the column **Decap**, s is a random string, sk' = sk||s.

Constructions	$\mathtt{Encap}(pk)$	$\mathtt{Decap}(sk',c)$
$ \begin{array}{l} \operatorname{KEM}^{\mathcal{I}} = \\ U^{\mathcal{I}} \left[ T[\overline{PKE}, G], \mathtt{H} \right] \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{l} m \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{M} \\ c = \overline{\mathrm{Enc}}(pk,m,\mathtt{G}(m)) \\ K = \mathtt{H}(m,c) \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{l} m' = \overline{\texttt{Dec}}(sk,c) \\ \text{if } m' \neq \perp \land c = \overline{\texttt{Enc}}(pk,m',\texttt{G}(m')) \text{ then} \\ K = \texttt{H}(m',c) \\ \text{else}  K = \texttt{H}(s,c) \end{array} $
$ \begin{split} & \operatorname{KEM}_{m}^{\not L} = \\ & U_{m}^{\not L} \left[ T[\overline{PKE}, \mathtt{G}], \mathtt{H} \right] \end{split} $	$ \begin{array}{l} m \stackrel{\circledast}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{M} \\ c = \overline{\operatorname{Enc}}(pk,m,\mathtt{G}(m)) \\ K = \mathtt{H}(m) \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{l} m' = \overline{\texttt{Dec}}(sk,c) \\ \text{if } m' \neq \perp \ \land c = \overline{\texttt{Enc}}(pk,m',\texttt{G}(m')) \ \text{then} \\ K = \texttt{H}(m') \\ \text{else} \qquad K = \texttt{H}(s,c) \end{array} $
$ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{K} \mathbf{E} \mathbf{M}_m^{\perp} = \\ U_m^{\perp} \left[ V \left[ T[\overline{P K E}, G], H' \right], H \right] \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{l} m \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{M} \\ c_1 = \overline{\operatorname{Enc}}(pk,m,\mathtt{G}(m)) \\ c_2 = \mathtt{H}'(m) \ c = c_1    c_2 \\ K = \mathtt{H}(m) \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{l} \text{Parse } c = c_1    c_2,  m' = \overline{\texttt{Dec}}(sk, c_1) \\ \text{if } m' \neq \perp  \wedge c_1 = \overline{\texttt{Enc}}(pk, m', \texttt{G}(m'))  \wedge  c_2 = \\ \texttt{H}'(m') \\ K = \texttt{H}(m') \\ \text{else} \qquad K = \bot \end{array} $

**Other Implications.** Besides memory efficiency, we found two additional implications of our work. This result refutes the folklore idea that the additional hash present in the QKEM<sup> $\perp$ </sup><sub>m</sub> transformation is redundant in the classical setting [15– 17]. The second implication is that V composed with T gives a OW-PCVA secure encryption scheme from an IND-CPA secure encryption scheme without the  $\gamma$ -spread requirement of [16].

### 1.2 Overview of Our Techniques

**Challenges with Existing Technique.** The memory-efficient technique to simulate an RO in [3] (and later suggested in [8] in the context of KEM) is to evaluate a PRF on the input. However, in the IND-CCA security reduction for key encapsulation mechanisms, the reduction often needs to adaptively program the output of the RO. Evaluating the prf directly on the query input does not provide the required programming capability.

For example, consider the basic construction of a Key Encapsulation Mechanism from a *deterministic* public-key encryption scheme  $\mathsf{PKE} = (\mathsf{Gen}, \mathsf{Enc}, \mathsf{Dec})$ . The public-key, secret-key of the KEM would be a key pair  $(pk, sk) \leftarrow \mathsf{Gen}$ . An encapsulation involves choosing a random message m, and computing

$$c = \operatorname{Enc}(pk, m), \qquad k = \operatorname{H}(m, c).$$

The output of the encapsulation is (c, k). A traditional security proof assuming H to be a random oracle would be to maintain a table containing the queries and

corresponding responses of H queries. Whenever the adversary makes a decapsulation query on  $\hat{c}$ , the reduction will check the table whether it contains an entry  $(\hat{m}, \hat{c}, \hat{h})$  such that  $\operatorname{Enc}(pk, \hat{m})$  returns  $\hat{c}$ . If such an entry exists, the answer tothe decapsulation query would be  $\hat{h}$ . Otherwise the reduction would return a randomly sampled element  $\hat{h}'$ , and save  $(-, \hat{c}, \hat{h}')$  in the list. The first entry will be filled up when, in a future hash query, the adversary submits  $(\hat{m}, \hat{c})$  where  $\hat{c} = \operatorname{Enc}(pk, \hat{m})$ .

Now consider a memory-efficient reduction where simulation of H is performed using a prf F(k, .). A hash query on  $(\hat{m}, \hat{c})$  is returned with  $F(k, \hat{m}, \hat{c})$ . The problem arises when simulating the decapsulation query  $\hat{c}$ . As the entries are no longer saved in a table, the reduction cannot find the required  $\hat{m}$  to complete the prf evaluation! One may attempt to solve the issue by answering the hash query with  $F(k, \hat{c})$ . In that case, the decapsulation queries can be answered. However, two hash queries with the same  $\hat{c}$  but different  $\hat{m}$  would result in a collision! Hence, this idea fails as well.

Core of our Idea: "injectively map and prf". Our method originates from the following observation. Let us call  $(\hat{m}, \hat{c})$  a good pair if  $\hat{c} = \text{Enc}(pk, \hat{m})$ . In the IND-CCA security game, the answer to a decapsulation query  $\hat{c}$  needs to match with the response of a hash query  $(\hat{m}, \hat{c})$  only when  $(\hat{m}, \hat{c})$  is a good pair. When answering hash queries on a good pair  $(\hat{m}, \hat{c})$ , we can "program" the output to be  $F(k, m_0, \hat{c})$  ( $m_0$  being any fixed message). For pairs which are not good, we can query an independent prf  $F'(k, \hat{m}, \hat{c})$  to compute the responses. Answer to a decapsulation query on (a valid ciphertext)  $\hat{c}$  will simply be  $F(k, m_0, \hat{c})$ . The idea can be generalized as "Apply an appropriate injective function  $\phi$  on the input, and then apply the prf". As the composition of an injective function with a prf results into a prf, we can use the arguments of [3]. This basic technique can readily be applied to the Cramer-Shoup version of Hashed-ElGamal, as well as the modules  $U^{\not{\perp}}$ , and  $U^{\perp}$ .

**Technique for**  $\mathbf{U}_{\mathbf{m}}^{\ell}, \mathbf{U}_{\mathbf{m}}^{\perp}$ . In these cases, the hash function is evaluated only on m. Thus, the above idea is not applicable directly. However, as PKE is deterministic, the reduction can still construct a good pair by simply computing  $\hat{c} = \text{Enc}(pk, \hat{m})$ , and respond a hash query on  $\hat{m}$  by  $F(k, \hat{c})$ . We no longer need to use the independent prf F', as the hash query only contains the message.

Interestingly, the technique works even if PKE has amall correctness errors. Although, Enc(pk, .) is no longer injective, finding a collision in the output of Enc(pk, .) implies finding a correctness error. Conditioned on no collision in the output of Enc(pk, .), the argument of [3] goes through. However, one needs to be careful here, as pointed out in [8]. In some definition of deterministic encryption, it is easy to come up with a scheme where a ciphertext decrypts to a message which in turn encrypts to a different ciphertext. To solve the issue, we require that for every message  $\hat{m}$  there exists a single ciphertext  $\hat{c}$  that decrypts to  $\hat{m}$ . Our definition of deterministic encryption is carefully considered to maintain this property. Moreover, the schemes generated by the transformation T of [16] satisfies the definition. **Technique for ECIES.** In the case of ECIES, we have a group  $\mathbb{G}$  of prime order q with a generator  $g \in \mathbb{G}$ . A public-key is a random element X with the corresponding secret-key x such that  $X = g^x$ . The encapsulation involves choosing a random  $y \stackrel{\text{s}}{\leftarrow} \mathbb{Z}_q$  and computing

$$Y = g^y \qquad Z = Y^x \qquad k = \mathbf{H}(Z)$$

The output of the encapsulation is (Y, k). While ECIES is analogous to  $U_m^{\not\perp}$ , we cannot find Y from Z! Hence, we cannot "map to ciphertext space" and apply F.

Fortunately, the "map-then-prf" technique is not limited to mapping to the ciphertext space. We note, when ECIES is implemented using a pairing friendly curve, there exists a bilinear map  $\hat{e} : \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \to \mathbb{G}_T$  for some  $\mathbb{G}_T$ . Moreover, by the bilinear property,  $\hat{e}(g^x, g^y) = \hat{e}(g, g^{xy})$ . We simulate the random oracle using  $F(k, \hat{e}(g, .))$ . The decapsulation oracle can maintain consistency by using  $F(k, \hat{e}(X, .))$ .

# 2 Notations and Preliminaries

If S is a set |S| denotes the size of S.  $x \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} S$  denotes the process of choosing x uniformly at random from S. [n] denotes the set of first n natural numbers. Composition of two functions is denoted by  $\circ$ . If  $\hat{F} = F \circ \phi$ , then  $\hat{F}(x) = F(\phi(x))$ .

Algorithms and Security Games. The algorithms and complexities considered in the papers are in the RAM model. The algorithms have access to memory and constant number of registers, each having size of one word. For a deterministic (resp. probabilistic) algorithm  $\mathcal{A}, y = \mathcal{A}(x)$  (resp  $y \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{A}(x)$ ) denotes y is the (resp. uniformly sampled) output of  $\mathcal{A}$  on input x.  $\mathcal{A}^{\mathcal{O}}$  denotes that  $\mathcal{A}$  has access to  $\mathcal{O}$  as an oracle. The oracles in this paper may be *stateful*;  $st_{\mathcal{O}}$  denotes the state of the RAM  $\mathcal{O}$ . As followed in [3],  $\mathcal{A}$  with oracle access to  $\mathcal{O}$  cannot access  $st_{\mathcal{O}}$ .

SECURITY GAMES. The results are proven in the framework of code based games of [6]. A game G consists an algorithm consists of a main oracle, and zero or more stateful oracles  $O_1, O_2, \dots, O_n$ . If a game G is implemented using a function f, we write G[f] to denote the game.

**Complexity Measures.** In this paper, we consider the following three complexity measures of an algorithm.

SUCCESS PROBABILITY. The success probability of an algorithm  $\mathcal{A}$  in game G is defined by  $\mathbf{Succ}_{\mathcal{A},G} \stackrel{def}{=} \operatorname{Prob}[G^{\mathcal{A}} = 1].$ 

TIME COMPLEXITY. The time complexity of an algorithm  $\mathcal{A}$ , denoted by  $\operatorname{Time}_{\lambda}(\mathcal{A})$ , is the number of computation steps performed by  $\mathcal{A}$  in the worst case over all possible input of size  $\lambda$ . When  $\mathcal{A}$  plays a security game G, the time complexity of the game, denoted by LocalTime<sub> $\lambda$ </sub>( $G^{\mathcal{A}}$ ), is the time complexity of  $\mathcal{A}$  plus the number of queries  $\mathcal{A}$  makes to the oracle.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In [3], authors defined the local time of the game only by the number of computations of  $\mathcal{A}$ . In this paper we explicitly include the number of queries made to the oracle.

MEMORY COMPLEXITY. Following [3,21], we define the memory complexity of an algorithm  $\mathcal{A}$  to be the size of the code plus the worst-case number of registers used in memory at any step in computation, over all possible input of size  $\lambda$  and random coins. LocalMem<sub> $\lambda$ </sub>( $G^{\mathcal{A}}$ ) denotes the memory complexity of  $\mathcal{A}$  (not the oracles) in the security game G.

**Reductions and Efficiency.** We follow the definition of black-box reductions proposed in [18]. A cryptographic primitive  $\mathcal{P}$  is a family of efficiently computable functions  $f : \{0,1\}^* \to \{0,1\}^*$ . Security of  $\mathcal{P}$  is described using a game G. An adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  is said to  $\mathcal{P}$ -break f with probability  $\epsilon$ , if

$$\operatorname{Succ}_{\mathcal{A},G[f]} = \epsilon.$$

We follow the following definition of a cryptographic reduction.

**Definition 1.** Let  $\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{Q}$  be cryptographic primitives and  $G_P$  and  $G_Q$  be the corresponding security games respectively. A reduction from  $\mathcal{P}$  to  $\mathcal{Q}$  is a pair of algorithms C, R such that

- $C^{f} \in \mathcal{Q} \text{ for all } f \in \mathcal{P}$
- For all  $f \in \mathcal{P}$ , for all adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  that  $\mathcal{Q}$ -breaks  $C^{f}$ , the algorithm  $\mathbb{R}^{\mathcal{A}}$  $\mathcal{P}$ -breaks f.

MEMORY-TIGHT REDUCTIONS. Following [3, 21], we define memory-tight reductions as follows.

**Definition 2.** A Cryptographic reduction (C, R) from  $\mathcal{P}$  to  $\mathcal{Q}$  is called memorytight, if for all  $f \in \mathcal{P}$ ,

 $\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Succ}_{\mathcal{A},G_Q[\mathsf{C}^f]} \approx & \mathbf{Succ}_{\mathsf{R}^{\mathcal{A}},G_P[f]} \\ \mathbf{LocalTime}_{\lambda}(\mathsf{R}^{\mathcal{A}}) \approx & \mathbf{LocalTime}_{\lambda}(\mathcal{A}) \\ \mathbf{LocalMem}_{\lambda}(\mathsf{R}^{\mathcal{A}}) \approx & \mathbf{LocalMem}_{\lambda}(\mathcal{A}) \end{aligned}$ 

Hardness Assumptions. The security proofs of Hashed-ElGamal variants are reduced from the Computational Diffie-Hellman and gap-Diffie-Hellman assumption. Consider the CDH game described in Fig. 1.

Gar	ne $CDH(q, g, \mathbb{G})$	Oracle $DDH(X, Y, Z)$	
1:	$x \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathbb{Z}_q^*$	1:	if $\exists y$ such that $Y = g^y$ and $Z = X^y$
2:	$y \stackrel{\hspace{0.1em}\scriptscriptstyle\$}{\leftarrow} \mathbb{Z}_q^*$	2:	return 1
3:	$z \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(g^x, g^y)$	3:	else
4:	if $z = g^{xy}$ return 1	4:	return 0
5:	else return 0		

Fig. 1. CDH game and gap-DH game. In gap-DH game,  $\mathcal{A}$  has oracle access to DDH $(\cdot, \cdot, \cdot)$ 

**Definition 3** (gap-Diffie-Hellman Assumption). Let q be a prime. Let  $\mathbb{G} = \langle g \rangle$  be a cyclic group of order q. The  $(t, \mu, \epsilon)$  gap-Diffie-Hellman (gap-DH) assumption states that for all adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  that runs in times t and uses  $\mu$  bites of memory,

$$\mathbf{Succ}_{\mathcal{A}^{\mathtt{DDH}},\mathtt{CDH}} \leq \epsilon$$

The Computational Diffie-Hellman assumption is defined in the same way, except the condition that  $\mathcal{A}$  has no access to the DDH oracle.

Key Encapsulation Mechanism. A key encapsulation mechanism KEM consists of three algorithms; Gen, Encap, Decap. The key generation algorithm Gen takes a security parameter  $1^{\lambda}$  as input and outputs a public key pk and a secret key sk. The encapsulation algorithm Encap, on input pk, outputs a keyciphertext pair (c, K), where  $K \in \mathcal{K}$  for some non-empty set  $\mathcal{K}$ . c is said to be the encapsulation of K. The deterministic decapsulation algorithm Decap takes an encapsulation c as input along with sk, and outputs a key  $K \in \mathcal{K}$ . A PKE is called  $\delta$ -correct if

$$\operatorname{Prob}[\operatorname{\texttt{Decap}}(sk,c) \neq K | (pk,sk) \leftarrow \operatorname{\texttt{Gen}}; (c,K) \leftarrow \operatorname{\texttt{Encap}}(pk)] \leq \delta$$

IND-CCA security of a Key Encapsulation Mechanism. We recall the IND-CCA security game for a Key Encapsulation Mechanism in Fig. 2. The IND-CCA advantage of an adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  against PKE is defined as

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{A},\mathsf{KEM}}^{\mathrm{IND-CCA}} \stackrel{def}{=} \left| \mathbf{Succ}_{\mathcal{A},\mathrm{IND-CCA}} - \frac{1}{2} \right|.$$

Game IND-CCA	Oracle I	Decap(c)	
$\begin{array}{rcl} \begin{array}{rcl} \begin{array}{c} \text{Granne IND-CCA} \end{array}\\ \hline 1: & (pk, sk) \leftarrow \texttt{Gen}(1^{\lambda}) \\ 2: & b \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0, 1\} \\ 3: & (c^*, K_0^*) \leftarrow \texttt{Encap}(p \\ 4: & K_1^* \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{K} \\ 5: & b' \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\text{Decap}}(c^*, K_b^*) \\ 6: & \text{if } b = b' \text{ return } 1 \\ 7: & \text{else return } 0 \end{array}$	$\frac{\text{Oracle I}}{1: \text{ if }}$ $\frac{2: K}{3: \text{ ref}}$	$c = c^* \mathbf{return} \perp$ $\leftarrow Decap(sk, c)$ turn K	Game COR         1: $(pk, sk) \leftarrow \text{Gen}(1^{\lambda})$ 2: $m \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(pk, sk)$ 3: $c \leftarrow \text{Enc}(pk, m)$ 4:       if $m \neq \text{Dec}(sk, c)$ return 1         5:       else return 0

Fig. 2. IND-CCA game for KEM

Fig. 3. Correctness game for PKE

**Public-Key Encryption.** A public-key encryption scheme consists of three algorithms,  $\mathsf{PKE} = (\mathsf{Gen}, \mathsf{Enc}, \mathsf{Dec})$ . There are three sets associated with  $\mathsf{PKE}$ , the message space  $\mathcal{M}$ , the randomness space  $\mathcal{R}$ , and the ciphertext space  $\mathcal{C}$ . The key generation algorithm takes the security parameter as input and outputs a public-key, secret-key pair (pk, sk). The encryption algorithm takes the public key pk, and a message  $m \in \mathcal{M}$  as input, samples a random string  $r \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{R}$ , and outputs a ciphertext. $c \leftarrow \mathsf{Enc}(pk, m, r)$ . The decryption algorithm  $\mathsf{Dec}$ , on input sk and a ciphertext c, outputs a message  $m = \mathsf{Dec}(sk, c) \in \mathcal{M}$  or a special symbol  $\perp \notin \mathcal{M}$ . We say, c is an invalid ciphertext, if  $\mathsf{Dec}(sk, c) = \perp$ .

DETERMINISTIC PUBLIC KEY ENCRYPTION. We call a public-key encryption scheme PKE *deterministic*, if the algorithm Enc is deterministic and for every message  $m \in \mathcal{M}$ , there exists a unique  $c \in \mathcal{C}$  such that Dec(sk, c) = m. We write  $c \leftarrow \text{Enc}(pk, m)$  for deterministic encryption.

CORRECTNESS. Following [16], we define the correctness of a public-key encryption scheme by the security game COR in Fig. 3.

**Definition 4.** Let  $\delta : \mathbb{N} \to [0,1]$  be an increasing function. Consider the game COR in Fig. 3. A public-key encryption scheme PKE is called  $\delta$ -correct, if for all adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  with running time bounded by t,

$$\mathbf{Succ}_{\mathcal{A},\mathsf{COR}[\mathsf{PKE}]} \leq \delta(t)$$

where the probability is taken over the randomness of Gen and A. Moreover, we say PKE is strongly  $\overline{\delta}$  correct, if  $\forall t, \delta(t) \leq \overline{\delta}$ .

Gar	ne OW-PCVA	Pro	cedure $PCO(m, c)$	Pro	cedure $CVO(c)$
1:	$(pk,sk) \gets \texttt{Gen}(1^{\lambda})$	1:	$\mathbf{if}\ m = \texttt{Dec}(sk,c)\ \mathbf{return}\ 1$	1:	$m \gets \texttt{Dec}(sk,c)$
2:	$m \stackrel{\hspace{0.1em}\scriptscriptstyle\$}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{M}$	2:	else return 0	2:	if $m \in \mathcal{M}$ return 1
3:	$c \gets \texttt{Enc}(pk,m)$			3:	else return $0$
4:	$m' \gets \mathcal{A}^{\texttt{PCO,CVO}}(pk,c)$				
5:	$\mathbf{if}\ m' = \mathtt{Dec}(sk,c)\ \mathbf{return}\ 1$				
6:	else return 0				

Fig. 4. Game OW-PCVA. In the game OW-PCA (resp. OW-VA),  $\mathcal{A}$  has oracle access to only PCO (resp. CVO).

SECURITY. Following [16], we define three security games for a public-key encryption scheme, OW-PCA, OW-VA, and OW-PCVA in Fig. 4. In OW-PCA game, the adversary has oracle access to PCO. In the OW-VA game, the adversary has oracle access to PCO. In OW-PCVA game, the adversary has oracle access to both PCO and CVO. For ATK  $\in$  {PCA, VA, PCVA}, we define the corresponding advantages of an adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  against PKE as

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{A},\mathsf{PKE}}^{\mathsf{OW-ATK}} \stackrel{def}{=} \operatorname{Prob}[\mathsf{OW-ATK}[\mathsf{PKE}]^{\mathcal{A}} = 1]$$

**Random Oracles.** An (idealized) function  $\mathcal{F} : \{0,1\}^{\delta} \to \{0,1\}^{\rho}$  is said to be a *Random Oracle*, if for all  $x \in \{0,1\}^{\delta}$ , the output  $\mathcal{F}(x)$  is independently and uniformly distributed over  $\{0,1\}^{\rho}$ .

#### **Pseudo-random Functions**

**Definition 5.** Let  $F : \{0,1\}^{\lambda} \times \{0,1\}^{\delta} \to \{0,1\}^{\rho}$  be a deterministic algorithm and let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an algorithm. The prf advantage of  $\mathcal{A}$  is defined as

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{A},F}^{\mathrm{prf}} \stackrel{def}{=} |\mathbf{Succ}(\mathtt{Real}^{\mathcal{A}}) - \mathbf{Succ}(\mathtt{Random}^{\mathcal{A}})|.$$

F is said to implement a family of  $(t, d, \epsilon)$ -pseudo-random functions if for all adversary A that runs in time t and uses memory d,

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{A},F}^{\mathrm{prf}} \leq \epsilon$$

Simulating Random Oracle Using PRF. If a game G is defined in the random oracle model, then one procedure of the game defines the random oracle  $\mathbb{H} : \{0,1\}^{\delta} \to \{0,1\}^{\rho}$ . The standard technique to implement the random oracle procedure is via lazy sampling. However, the lazy sampling technique requires  $\mathcal{O}(q_h \cdot \lambda)$  additional memory where  $q_h$  is the number of  $\mathbb{H}$  queries made by the adversary. In [3], the authors formalized the technique, originally suggested in [7], of simulating the Random Oracle using a prf. Let  $G[\mathbb{H}]$  be a game where  $\mathbb{H}$  is a random oracle used in G. Let G[F] be the same game where the random oracle is implemented using a prf F. Specifically, the oracle  $\mathbb{H}$  is implemented using F(k, .) for a randomly sampled key k (Fig. 6).

Game Real	$\underline{\mathrm{Game}\; \mathtt{Random}}$	
Procedure main	Procedure main	
1: $k \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0,1\}^{\lambda}$	1: $b \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{O_F}$	
2: $b \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{O_F}$	2: <b>if</b> $b = 0$	
3: <b>if</b> $b = 0$	3: return 1	
4 : return 1	4: <b>else</b>	
5 : else	5: <b>return</b> 0	
6 : return 0	6: <b>endif</b>	
7: endif		
	Procedure $O_F(x)$	
Procedure $O_F(x)$	$1:  y \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0,1\}^{\rho}$	
1: return $F(k,x)$	2: return $y$	

Fig. 5. PRF security game

RO simulation by	RO simulation using PRF
lazy sampling	Procedure main
Procedure main	$1:  k \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0,1\}^{\kappa}$
$\underline{ \text{Procedure } \mathtt{H}(x) }$	Procedure $\mathbb{H}(x)$
1: <b>if</b> $H(x) = \perp$	1: return $F(k, x)$
$2:  \mathrm{H}(x) \xleftarrow{\hspace{0.1cm}\$} \{0,1\}^{\rho}$	
3: endif	
4 · return $H(x)$	

Fig. 6. Memory efficient simulation of Random Oracle

**Lemma 1 (RO simulation using prf** [3]). For all adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  against G making at most  $q_h$  queries to the random oracle, there exists a  $\mathcal{B}_F$  against F in the prf game such that

$$\left| \mathbf{Succ}_{\mathcal{A}^{\mathtt{H}}, G[\mathtt{H}]} - \mathbf{Succ}_{\mathcal{A}^{\mathtt{H}}, G[F]} \right| \leq \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{F}, F}^{\mathrm{prt}}$$

Moreover, it holds that

 $\mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{B}_F) = \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{A}) + \mathbf{LocalTime}(G) + q_h$  $\mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{B}_F) = \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{A}) + \mathbf{LocalMem}(G)$ 

### **3** Memory-Tight Reductions for Hashed-ElGamal

#### 3.1 Cramer-Shoup Variant

Pro	cedure $\operatorname{Gen}(1^{\lambda})$	Pro	$cedure \; \texttt{Encap}(pk)$	Pro	cedure  Decap(sk, Y)
1:	$(q,g,\mathbb{G}) \gets \mathrm{DH}(1^\lambda)$	1:	(g,h) = pk	1:	x = sk
2:	$x \stackrel{\hspace{0.1em}\scriptscriptstyle\$}{\leftarrow} \mathbb{Z}_q^*$	2:	$y \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathbb{Z}_q^*$	2:	$Z = Y^x$
3:	$pk = (g, g^x)$	3:	$Y = g^{y}$	3:	$K={\rm H}(Y,Z)$
4:	sk = x	4:	$Z = h^y$	4:	return $K$
5:	$\mathbf{return}~(\mathrm{pk},\mathrm{sk})$	5:	$K={\rm H}(Y,Z)$		
		6:	return $(Y, K)$		

Fig. 7. HEG: Cramer-Shoup Version of Hashed-ElGamal KEM.  $H:\mathbb{G}\times\mathbb{G}\to\mathcal{K}$  is a cryptographic hash function

In this section we present a memory-tight reduction of Cramer-Shoup version of hashed-ElGamal Key Encapsulation mechanism [13]. We describe the scheme in Fig. 7.  $\mathbb{G}$  is a cyclic group of prime order q. Let  $\mathbb{H} : \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \to \mathcal{K}$  be a hash function. Our main result in this section is the following theorem.

**Theorem 4.** Let q be a prime and  $\mathbb{G}$  be any gap group of order q. Let DDH be the Decisional Diffie Hellman oracle on  $\mathbb{G}$ . Let DH be the Diffie Hellman instance generation algorithm over  $\mathbb{G}$ . Let  $F : \{0,1\}^{\lambda} \times \{0,1\} \times \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \to \mathcal{K}$  be a prf. Let  $\Pi$  be the HEG KEM scheme over  $\mathbb{G}$  and  $\mathcal{K}$ , with security parameter  $\lambda$ .

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be any adversary in the IND-CCA game of  $\Pi$ . Suppose  $\mathcal{A}$  makes  $q_H$  hash queries and  $q_D$  decapsulation queries. Then, in the random oracle model, there exists an adversary  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$  in the gap-DH game, and an adversary  $\mathcal{B}_F$  such that

$$\mathbf{Adv}^{\mathrm{IND-CCA}}_{\mathcal{A},\Pi} \leq \mathbf{Adv}^{\mathsf{gap-DH}}_{\mathcal{B}_{DH},\mathbb{G}} + \mathbf{Adv}^{\mathrm{prf}}_{\mathcal{B}_{F},F}$$

Moreover, it holds that

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\begin{aligned} \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{B}_{DH}) \approx & \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{A}) + (q_H + q_D) \cdot \mathbf{LocalTime}(F) + q_H \\ & \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{B}_{DH}) \approx & \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{A}) + \mathbf{LocalMem}(F) + 7\lambda + 1 \\ & \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{B}_F) \approx & \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{A}) + \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathsf{DH}) + (q_H + q_D) \\ & \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{B}_F) \approx & \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{A}) + \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathsf{DH}) + 11\lambda + 2 \end{aligned}
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Before proving the Theorem 4, we construct a prf  $\hat{F} : \{0,1\}^{\lambda} \times \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \to \mathcal{K}$  that we shall use in the proof.

**Construction of**  $\hat{F}$ . Let DDH be the decisional Diffie-Hellman oracle such that DDH(X, Y, Z) = 1, if (X, Y, Z) is a valid Diffie-Hellman tuple.

**Construction 5.** Let  $\mathbb{G}$  be a group of prime order q and let g be a generator of  $\mathbb{G}$ . Fix  $X \in \mathbb{G}$ . Let  $F : \{0,1\}^{\lambda} \times \{0,1\} \times \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \to \mathcal{K}$ . We define  $\hat{F}_X : \{0,1\}^{\lambda} \times \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \to \mathcal{K}$  as follows

$$\hat{F}_X(k, Y, Z) = \begin{cases} F(k, 0, Y, Z) \text{ if } \text{DDH}(X, Y, Z) = 0\\ F(k, 1, Y, g) \text{ if } \text{DDH}(X, Y, Z) = 1 \end{cases}$$

In order to use the map then prf technique, we need the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.** If F is a prf, then  $\hat{F}_X$  is a prf. Moreover, for every adversary  $\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}$  against  $\hat{F}_X$ , there exists a  $\mathcal{B}_F$  against F such that,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{F},F}^{\mathrm{prf}} &= \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}},\hat{F}}^{\mathrm{prf}} \\ \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{B}_{F}) &= \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}) + q \\ \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{B}_{F}) &= \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}) + 2\lambda. \end{aligned}$$

where q is the number of queries made by  $\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}$ .

*Proof.* Fix  $X \in \mathbb{G}$ . Note that for every  $Y \in \mathbb{G}$ , there exists a unique  $Z \in G$  such that DDH(X, Y, Z) = 1. We define  $\psi_X : \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \to \{0, 1\} \times \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G}$  as

$$\psi_X(Y,Z) = \begin{cases} (0,Y,Z) & \text{if } \text{DDH}(X,Y,Z) = 0\\ (1,Y,0^{\lambda}) & \text{if } \text{DDH}(X,Y,Z) = 1 \end{cases}$$

It is easy to verify that  $\psi_X$  is an injective function. Moreover,  $\hat{F}_X = F \circ \psi_X$ .

Let 0 be the oracle of  $\mathcal{B}_F$ .  $\mathcal{B}_F$  chooses  $x \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$ , set  $X = g^x$  and invokes  $\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}$ . For every query (Y, Z) of  $\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_F$  checks whether  $Y^x = Z$ , computes  $\psi_X(Y, Z)$  accordingly and queries 0. The response of the oracle is passed to  $\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}$ . When  $\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}$  outputs a bit b,  $\mathcal{B}_F$  outputs b. This perfectly simulates the prf game of  $\hat{F}_X$ .

We assume the computation time of  $\psi_X$  is constant. In order to simulate the prf game of  $\hat{F}_X$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_F$  needs to compute  $\psi_X$  for q many times. Moreover,  $\mathcal{B}_F$  needs store x and a temporary variable for passing the values. The lemma follows.  $\Box$ 

The Reduction. Theorem 4 is proven via a sequence of games. Formal description of the games are given in Figs. 8 and 9.

$G_0 G_1$	Procedure $\mathbb{H}(Y, Z)$ in $\mathbf{G}_{0}$	Procedure $\mathbb{H}(Y, Z)$ in $\mathbf{G}_1$
$\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{G_0} \boxed{\mathbf{G_1}} \\ 1:  (pk, sk) \leftarrow Gen(1^{\lambda}) \\ 2:  \text{Parse } pk = (g, X) \\ 3:  \text{Parse } sk = x \\ 4:  y^* \stackrel{s}{\leftarrow} \mathbb{Z}_q^* \\ 5:  b \stackrel{s}{\leftarrow} \{0, 1\} \\ 6:  Y^* = g^{y^*} \\ 7:  Z^* = Y^{*x} \\ 8:  K_0^* = \mathrm{H}(Y^*, Z^*) \boxed{K_0^* \stackrel{s}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{K}} \\ 9:  K_1^* \stackrel{s}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{K} \\ 10:  b^* \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\mathrm{Decap},\mathrm{H}}(pk, Y^*, K_b^*) \\ 11:  \text{if } b = b^* \text{return } 1 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{rcl} & \begin{array}{c} & \operatorname{Procedure} \ \operatorname{H}(Y,Z) \ \mbox{in} \ \mathbf{G_0} \\ \hline 1: & \mbox{if} \ \operatorname{H}(Y,Z) \ \mbox{is} \ \mbox{undefined} \\ 2: & \ \mbox{H}(Y,Z) \ & \begin{array}{c} & \\ & \\ \hline & \\ & \\ \hline & \\ & \\ \hline & \\ & \\ &$	Procedure $\mathbb{H}(Y, Z)$ in $\mathbb{G}_1$ 1: if $Z = Y^x \wedge Y = Y^*$ 2: return $K_0^*$ 3: else 4: if $\mathbb{H}(Y, Z)$ is undefined 5: $\mathbb{H}(Y, Z) \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{K}$ 6: endif 7: return $\mathbb{H}(Y, Z)$ 8: endif
12 : else return 0 13 : endif		

Fig. 8. The games  $G_0$  and  $G_1$ . In game  $G_1$ , Line 9 in replaced by the boxed statement

Game  $\mathbf{G}_0$ . The game  $\mathbf{G}_0$  is the original IND-CCA game.

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{A},\Pi}^{\mathrm{IND-CCA}} \stackrel{def}{=} \left| \mathrm{Prob}[\mathbf{G}_0^{\mathcal{A}} = 1] - \frac{1}{2} \right|.$$

Game **G**<sub>1</sub>: We predefine  $K_0^* = \mathbb{H}(Y^*, Z^*)$  by sampling a random element from the keyspace  $\mathcal{K}$ .  $Y^*$  is the challenge ciphertext sent in the KEM game and  $Z^* = Y^{*x}$ . The hash oracle is modified to return  $K_0^*$  for the input  $(Y^*, Z^*)$ . As  $K_0^*$  is still uniformly chosen at random, and the hash oracle output is consistent, there is no change in the distribution of adversary's view.

$$\operatorname{Prob}[\mathbf{G}_0^{\mathcal{A}} = 1] = \operatorname{Prob}[\mathbf{G}_1^{\mathcal{A}} = 1]$$

Game  $\mathbf{G}_2$ . In this game the oracles  $\mathbb{H}$  and  $\mathbb{D}ecap$  are changed. We replace the random oracle by a prf  $\hat{F}_X : \{0,1\}^{\lambda} \times \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \to \mathcal{K}$ . By Lemma 1, there exists an adversary  $\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}$  such that

$$\left|\operatorname{Prob}[\mathbf{G}_{1}^{\mathcal{A}}=1]-\operatorname{Prob}[\mathbf{G}_{2}^{\mathcal{A}}=1]\right| \leq \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}},\hat{F}_{X}}^{\operatorname{prf}}$$

Game **G**<sub>3</sub>. We rewrite the prf evaluation of  $\hat{F}_X$  using a prf F as defined in Construction 5. In the procedure **Decap** of the game **G**<sub>2</sub>, Step 2 ( $Z = Y^x$ ) ensures that  $\hat{F}_X(k, Y, Z)$  in that procedure always evaluates to F(k, 1, Y, g). As the view of the adversary remains unchanged,

$$\operatorname{Prob}[\mathbf{G}_2^{\mathcal{A}}=1]=\operatorname{Prob}[\mathbf{G}_3^{\mathcal{A}}=1]$$

Game **G**<sub>4</sub>: In this game, we set a flag FLAG and abort on the event that  $\mathcal{A}$  queries H on  $(Y^*, Z^*)$  where  $Y^*$  is the challenge in the KEM game and  $(X, Y^*, Z^*)$  is a valid diffie hellman tuple. By the fundamental lemma of game playing proofs

$$\left|\operatorname{Prob}[\mathbf{G}_{3}^{\mathcal{A}}=1]-\operatorname{Prob}[\mathbf{G}_{4}^{\mathcal{A}}=1]\right| \leq \operatorname{Prob}[\operatorname{FLAG}=1].$$

In the game  $\mathbf{G}_4$ , the adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  is unable to compute  $\mathbb{H}(Y^*, Z^*)$  using either the hash oracle or the decapsulation oracle. The decapsulation oracle outputs  $\bot$  whenever the input Y is equal to  $Y^*$ . The hash oracle aborts for the input  $(Y^*, Z^*)$ . This implies that the bit b is independent from the adversary's view. Hence

$$\operatorname{Prob}[\mathbf{G}_3^{\mathcal{A}}] = \frac{1}{2}.$$

To bound Prob[FLAG = 1], we construct an algorithm  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$  against the gap-DH security of  $\mathbb{G}$ .  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$  simulates game  $\mathbf{G}_4$  for  $\mathcal{A}$ .

**gap-DH** Adversary  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$ . Formal code of  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$  is given in Fig. 10.  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$  simulates  $\mathbf{G}_4$ . In order to execute line 1 of the game  $\mathbf{G}_4$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$  uses the DDH oracle. By the definition of gap-DH game, X and Y\* are uniformly and independently distributed. Hence the simulation of  $\mathbf{G}_4$  is perfect. FLAG = 1 implies that  $\mathcal{A}$  queried  $\mathbb{H}(Y,Z)$  where  $Y = Y^*$  and  $\text{DDH}(X,Y^*,Z) = 1$ .  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$  returns that Z and wins the gap-DH game. Hence,

$$\operatorname{Prob}[\operatorname{FLAG} = 1] = \operatorname{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{DH},G}^{\mathsf{gap-DH}}$$

Collecting the probabilities, we get

$$\mathbf{Adv}^{\mathrm{IND-CCA}}_{\mathcal{A},\Pi} \leq \mathbf{Adv}^{\mathsf{gap-DH}}_{\mathcal{B}_{DH},\mathbb{G}} + \mathbf{Adv}^{\mathrm{prf}}_{\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}},\hat{F}}$$

Efficiency of  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$ .  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$  runs  $\mathcal{A}$ , queries DDH oracle for  $q_H$  many times, computes the prf F for  $(q_H + q_D)$  many times.  $\mathcal{O}(\text{poly}(\lambda))$  is the cost of other operations in  $\mathbf{G}_4$ .

$$\mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{B}_{DH}) \approx \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{A}) + (q_H + q_D)\mathbf{LocalTime}(F) + q_H$$

The last  $q_H$  term in the right-hand side of the above equation is to denote the number of queries made to the DDH oracle.

Memory Efficiency of  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$ .  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$  needs to save the code of  $\mathcal{A}$ , and F. In addition, counting the registers in  $\mathbf{G}_4$ ,

$$\mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{B}_{DH}) \approx \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{A}) + \mathbf{LocalMem}(F) + 7\lambda + 1$$

So far, we have proven that there exist adversaries  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$  and  $\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}$ 

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{A},\Pi}^{\mathrm{IND-CCA}} \leq \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{DH},G}^{\mathsf{gap-DH}} + \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}},\hat{F}}^{\mathrm{prf}}$$

$G_2$	G <sub>3</sub>	$G_4$
1: $(pk, sk) \leftarrow \text{Gen}(1^{\lambda})$	$1: (pk,sk) \gets \mathtt{Gen}(1^{\lambda})$	$1: (pk,sk) \leftarrow \mathtt{Gen}(1^{\lambda})$
2: Parse $pk = (g, X)$	2: Parse $pk = (g, X)$	2: Parse $pk = (g, X)$
3: Parse $sk = x$	3: Parse $sk = x$	3: Parse $sk = x$
4: $k \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0,1\}^{\lambda}$	$4:  k \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0,1\}^{\lambda}$	$4:  k \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0,1\}^{\lambda}$
$5: y^* \stackrel{s}{\leftarrow} \mathbb{Z}_q^*$	$5:  y^* \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathbb{Z}_q^*$	5: $y^* \stackrel{\hspace{0.1em}\scriptscriptstyle\$}{\leftarrow} \mathbb{Z}_q^*$
$6:  b \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}$	$6:  b \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0,1\}$	$6:  b \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0,1\}$
7: $Y^* = g^{y^*}$	$7:  Y^* = g^{y^*}$	$7:  Y^* = g^{y^*}$
$8:  Z^* = Y^{*x}$	8: $Z^* = Y^{*x}$	$8:  Z^* = Y^{*x}$
9: $K_0^* \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{K}$	9: $K_0^* \stackrel{\hspace{0.1em}\scriptscriptstyle\$}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{K}$	9: $K_0^* \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{K}$
10 : $K_1^* \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{K}$	10: $K_1^* \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{K}$	10: $K_1^* \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{K}$
11: $b^* \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\text{Decap}, \text{H}}(pk, Y^*, K)$	$(b^*)$ 11: $b^* \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\text{Decap}, \text{H}}(pk, Y^*, K_b^*)$	11: $b^* \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\texttt{Decap},\texttt{H}}(pk, Y^*, K_b^*)$
12: <b>if</b> $b = b^*$ <b>return</b> 1	12: <b>if</b> $b = b^*$ <b>return</b> 1	12: <b>if</b> $b = b^*$ <b>return</b> 1
13 : else return 0	13 : <b>else return</b> 0	13 : <b>else return</b> 0
14: <b>endif</b>	14: <b>endif</b>	14: <b>endif</b>
Procedure $H(Y,Z)$	Procedure $\mathbb{H}(Y, Z)$	Procedure $\mathbb{H}(Y, Z)$
1: <b>if</b> $Z = Y^x \wedge Y = Y^*$	1: <b>if</b> $Z = Y^x$	1: if $Z = Y^x$
2 : return $K_0^*$	2: <b>if</b> $Y = Y^*$	2: <b>if</b> $Y = Y^*$
3: else	3: return $K_0^*$	3: FLAG=1
4: $K = \hat{F}_X(k, Y, Z)$	4: <b>else</b>	4: Abort
5: return K	5: $K = F(k, 1, Y, g)$	5: endif
6 : <b>endif</b>	6: endif	6: $K = F(k, 1, Y, g)$
	7: else	7: else
	$8: \qquad K = F(k, 0, Y, Z)$	$8: \qquad K = F(k, 0, Y, Z)$
Procedure $Decap(Y)$	9: <b>endif</b>	9: <b>endif</b>
1: <b>if</b> $Y = Y^*$ <b>return</b> $\perp$	10 : return $K$	10 : return $K$
$2:  Z = Y^x$		
3: $K = \hat{F}_X(k, Y, Z)$	Procedure $Decap(Y)$	Procedure $Decap(Y)$
4 : return $K$		
	1: if $Y = Y$ return $\perp$	1: if $Y = Y$ return $\perp$
	$2:  Z = Y^{*}$	2: =
	3:  K = F(k, 1, Y, g)	3:  K = F(k, 1, Y, g)
	4: return $K$	4: return $K$

Fig. 9. IND-CCA game of HEG: highlighted statements are the modifications from the previous game

Applying Lemma 2, we get the adversary  $\mathcal{B}_F$  such that

$$\mathbf{Adv}^{\mathrm{prf}}_{\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}},\hat{F}} = \mathbf{Adv}^{\mathrm{prf}}_{\mathcal{B}_{F},F}$$

Hence, there exist adversaries  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$  and  $\mathcal{B}_F$  such that

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{A},\Pi}^{\mathrm{IND-CCA}} \leq \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{DH},G}^{\mathsf{gap-DH}} + \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{F},F}^{\mathrm{prf}}$$

The following lemma finds the efficiency of  $\mathcal{B}_F$ 

Alg	gorithm $\mathcal{B}_{DH}(g, X, Y^*)$	Pro	cedure $\mathbb{H}(Y, Z)$
1:	Set $pk = (g, X)$	1:	$\mathbf{if} \; \mathrm{DDH}(X,Y,Z) = 1$
2:	$k \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0,1\}^{\lambda}$	2:	if $Y = Y^*$
3:	$K^* \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{K}$	3:	FLAG = 1
4:	$b^* \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\text{Decap}, \text{H}}(pk, Y^*, K^*)$	4:	Output $Z$
5:	output  .	5:	else
		6:	K = F(k, 1, Y, g)
Pro	cedure $Decap(Y)$	7:	endif
1:	if $Y = Y^*$ return $\perp$	8:	else
2:	K = F(k, 1, Y, g)	9:	K = F(k, 0, Y, Z)
3:	return K	10:	endif
		11:	return $K$

Fig. 10. Diffie Hellman adversary  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$ 

### Lemma 3

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\begin{aligned} \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{B}_F) \approx & \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{A}) + \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathtt{DH}) + 2(q_H + q_D) \\ & \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{B}_F) \approx & \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{A}) + \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathtt{DH}) + 11\lambda + 2 \end{aligned}
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### 3.2 ECIES

Let  $\mathbb{G} = \langle g \rangle$  be a cyclic group of prime order q, equipped with a pairing  $\hat{e} : \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \to \mathbb{G}_T$ . Let  $\mathbb{H} : \mathbb{G} \to \mathcal{K}$  be a hash function. In this section, we present a memory tight reduction of the underlying Key Encapsulation Mechanism of ECIES from the Computational Diffie-Hellman assumption over  $\mathbb{G}$ . We describe the ECIES KEM scheme in Fig. 11. Our main result in this section is the following theorem.

Pro	cedure $\operatorname{Gen}(1^{\lambda})$	Pro	cedure $\texttt{Encap}(pk)$	Pro	cedure  Decap(sk, Y)
1:	$(q,g,\mathbb{G}) \gets \mathrm{DH}(1^\lambda)$	1:	(g, X) = pk	1:	x = sk
2:	$x \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{Z}_p^*$	2:	$y \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathbb{Z}_p^*$	2:	$Z = Y^x$
3:	$pk = (g, g^x)$	3:	$Y = g^y$	3:	$K={\rm H}(Z)$
4:	sk = x	4:	$Z = X^y$	4:	return $K$
5:	$\mathbf{return}~(\mathrm{pk},\mathrm{sk})$	5:	$K={\rm H}(Z)$		
		6:	return $(Y, K)$		

Fig. 11. ECIES KEM.  $H: \{0,1\}^{\lambda} \times \mathbb{G} \to \mathcal{K}$  is a cryptographic hash function

**Theorem 6** Let q be a prime and  $\mathbb{G}$  be a group of order q equipped with a pairing  $\hat{e} : \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \to \mathbb{G}_T$ . Let DH be the Diffie Hellman instance generation algorithm over  $\mathbb{G}$ . Let  $F : \{0,1\}^{\lambda} \times \mathbb{G}_T \to \mathcal{K}$  be a prf. Let  $\hat{\Pi}$  be the ECIES-KEM scheme over  $\mathbb{G}$  and  $\mathcal{K}$ , with security parameter  $\lambda$ .

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be an adversary in the IND-CCA game of  $\hat{\Pi}$ . Suppose  $\mathcal{A}$  makes  $q_h$  hash queries and  $q_D$  decapsulation queries. Then, in the random oracle model, there exists an adversary  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$  in the CDH game, and an adversary  $\mathcal{B}_F$  such that

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{A},\hat{\Pi}}^{\mathrm{IND-CCA}} \leq \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{DH},\mathbb{G}}^{\mathsf{CDH}} + \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{F},F}^{\mathrm{prf}}$$

Moreover, it holds that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{B}_{DH}) \approx & \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{A}) + (q_H + q_D)\mathbf{LocalTime}(F) \\ &+ (q_D + 3q_H)\mathbf{LocalTime}(\hat{e}) \\ \\ \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{B}_{DH}) \approx & \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{A}) + \mathbf{LocalMem}(F) + 7\lambda + 1 \\ \\ \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{B}_F) \approx & \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{A}) + \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathsf{DH}) + (q_H + q_D) \\ &\quad (q_H + q_D)\mathbf{LocalTime}(\hat{e}) \\ \\ \\ \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{B}_F) \approx & \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{A}) + \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathsf{DH}) + 12\lambda + 2 \end{aligned}$$

The reduction to prove Theorem 6 is almost the same as in the previous section. The only difference is in the construction of the intermediate prf  $\hat{F}$  and the reduced CDH-adversary  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$ . As the details are almost same to the reduction of HEG, we only describe  $\hat{F}$  and  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$  here. The reader is referred to the full version of the paper [9] for the rest of the reduction.

**Construction 7 (Construction of**  $\hat{F}$ ). Let  $\mathbb{G}$  be a group of prime order qand let g be a generator of  $\mathbb{G}$ . Let  $\hat{e} : \mathbb{G} \times \mathbb{G} \to \mathbb{G}_T$  be a bilinear map. Let  $F : \{0,1\}^{\lambda} \times \mathbb{G}_T \to \mathcal{K}$ . We define  $\hat{F} : \{0,1\}^{\lambda} \times \mathbb{G} \to \mathcal{K}$  as follows

$$\hat{F}(k,Z) = F(k,\hat{e}(g,Z))$$

**Lemma 4.** If F is a prf, then  $\hat{F}$  is a prf. Moreover, for every adversary  $\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}$  against  $\hat{F}$ , there exists a  $\mathcal{B}_F$  against F such that,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{F},F}^{\mathrm{prf}} &= \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}},\hat{F}}^{\mathrm{prf}} \\ \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{B}_{F}) &= \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}) + q \cdot \mathbf{LocalTime}(\hat{e}) \\ \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{B}_{F}) &= \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}) + 2\lambda. \end{aligned}$$

where q is the number of queries made by  $\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}$  to its oracle.

**Description of**  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$ : The Adversary to Game CDH. Formal code of  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$  is given in Fig. 12.  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$  gets  $(g, X, Y^*)$  as input, where  $X, Y^*$  are distributed uniformly over  $\mathbb{G}$ . FLAG = 1 implies that  $\mathcal{A}$  queried  $\mathbb{H}(Z)$  where  $(X, Y^*, Z)$  is

Alg	porithm $\mathcal{B}_{DH}((g, X, Y^*))$	Pro	cedure $\mathbb{H}(Z)$
1:	Set $pk = (g, X)$	1:	if $\hat{e}(g,Z) = \hat{e}(X,Y^*)$
2:	$k \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0,1\}^{\lambda}$	2:	FLAG = 1
3:	$K^* \xleftarrow{\hspace{0.1em}\$} \mathcal{K}$	3:	Output $Z$
4:	$b^* \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{\texttt{Decap},\texttt{H}}(pk, Y^*, K^*)$	4:	else
5:	$output \perp$ .	5:	$K = F(k, \hat{e}(g, Z))$
	<u>1</u>	6:	return $K$
Pro	cedure $Decap(Y)$	7:	endif
1:	if $Y = Y^*$ return $\perp$		
2:	$K = F(k, \hat{e}(X, Y))$		
3:	return K		

Fig. 12. Diffie Hellman adversary  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$ 

a valid Diffie Hellman tuple. If FLAG is set for some query made by  $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$  returns that corresponding Z and wins the CDH game.

Efficiency of  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$ .  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$  runs  $\mathcal{A}$ , computes the pairing  $\hat{e}(.,.)$  oracle for  $q_D + 3q_H$  many times, computes the prf F for  $(q_H + q_D)$  many times. As the rest of the steps in the algorithm takes  $\mathcal{O}(\text{poly}(\lambda))$  time,

 $\begin{aligned} \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{B}_{DH}) \approx & \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{A}) + (q_H + q_D) \mathbf{LocalTime}(F) \\ & + (q_D + 3q_H) \mathbf{LocalTime}(\hat{e}) \end{aligned}$ 

**Memory Efficiency of**  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$ .  $\mathcal{B}_{DH}$  needs to save the code of  $\mathcal{A}$ ,  $\hat{e}$ , and F. Counting the registers, we get

 $LocalMem(\mathcal{B}_{DH}) = LocalMem(\mathcal{A}) + LocalMem(F) + 7\lambda + 1$ 

# 4 Transformation V: OW-PCA PKE to OW-PCVA PKE

In this section, we introduce a transformation V to construct OW-PCVA secure deterministic PKE from a OW-PCA secure PKE. Our main result is a memory-tight reduction of V. The main application of V will be in Sect. 5, where we shall use V to get a memory-tight reductions of the IND-CCA security of  $QKEM^{\perp}$  and  $QKEM^{\perp}_{m}$ .

### 4.1 The Transformation

We start with a deterministic  $\delta$ -correct OW-PCA secure public key encryption scheme,  $\mathsf{PKE} = (\mathsf{Gen}, \mathsf{Enc}, \mathsf{Dec})$ . Let  $\mathcal{M} = \{0, 1\}^n$  be the message space, and  $\mathcal{C}$  be

Procedure $Enc_1(pk, m)$	) Procedure $Dec_1(sk, c)$	
1: $c_1 = \operatorname{Enc}(pk, m)$	1:	Parse $c = (c_1, c_2)$
$2:  c_2 = \mathtt{H}'(m)$	2:	$m' = \texttt{Dec}(sk, c_1)$
$3: c = c_1    c_2$	3:	$ \text{if } m' = \perp \lor \texttt{H}'(m') \neq c_2 \ \lor \texttt{Enc}(pk,m') \neq c_1 \\$
4 : return $c$	4:	return $\perp$
	5:	else return $m'$

Fig. 13. OW-PCVA secure encryption scheme  $\mathsf{PKE}_1 = V[\mathsf{PKE}]$ 

the ciphertext space. Let  $\mathtt{H}':\mathcal{M}\to\{0,1\}^\eta$  be a hash function. The transformed scheme is described as  $\mathsf{PKE}_1=(\mathtt{Gen},\mathtt{Enc}_1,\mathtt{Dec}_1).$ 

Our main result of this section is the following theorem.

**Theorem 8.** Let  $\mathsf{PKE} = (\mathsf{Gen}, \mathsf{Enc}, \mathsf{Dec})$  be a deterministic  $\delta$  correct OW-PCA secure public key encryption scheme. Let  $\mathcal{M}$  be the message space, and  $\mathcal{C}$  be the ciphertext space of  $\mathsf{PKE}$ . Let  $\mathsf{PKE}_1$  be the transformed public encryption scheme. Let  $F' : \{0, 1\}^{\lambda} \times \mathcal{C} \to \{0, 1\}^{\eta}$  be a prf. Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be any adversary in the OW-PCVA game of  $\mathsf{PKE}_1$ . Suppose  $\mathcal{A}$  makes  $q_{h'}$  queries to  $\mathsf{H}'$ . Let  $q_P$  denote the number of plaintext checking queries and  $q_V$  denote the number of validity checking queries made by  $\mathcal{A}$ .

 $\mathsf{PKE}_1$  is  $\delta$ -correct. Moreover, in the random oracle model, there exists an adversary  $\mathcal{B}$  in the OW-PCA game of  $\mathsf{PKE}_1$ , and an adversary  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}$  in the prf game of F', such that

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{A},\mathsf{PKE}_{1}}^{\mathrm{OW-PCVA}} \leq \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B},\mathsf{PKE}}^{\mathrm{OW-PCA}} + 2 \cdot \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{F'},F'}^{\mathrm{prf}} + \frac{q_{V}}{2^{\eta}} + 2\delta(1 + q_{h'} + q_{P} + q_{V})$$

Moreover it holds that

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\begin{split} \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{B}) \approx & \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{A}) + q_{h'}\mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathtt{Enc}) \\ & + (1 + q_{h'} + q_V + q_P)\mathbf{LocalTime}(F') + q_P \\ \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{B}) \approx & \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{A}) + \mathbf{LocalMem}(F') \\ & + \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathtt{Enc}) + 8\lambda \\ \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{B}_{F'}) \approx & \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{A}) + \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathtt{Gen}) + (q_V + q_P)\mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathtt{Dec}) \\ & + (1 + q_V + q_P + q_{h'})(1 + 2 \cdot \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathtt{Enc})) \\ \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{B}_{F'}) \approx & \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{A}) + \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathtt{Gen}) + + \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathtt{Enc}) \\ & + \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathtt{Dec}) + 11\lambda + 1 \end{split}
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Similar to previous section, we first construct a prf  $\hat{F}$ .

#### 4.2 Construction of $\hat{F}$

**Construction 9.** Fix a public key pk of PKE. Let  $F' : \{0,1\}^{\lambda} \times \mathcal{C} \to \{0,1\}^{\eta}$ . We define  $\hat{F}$  as

$$\hat{F}(k,m) = F'(k, \texttt{Enc}(pk,m))$$

In order to use the map then prf technique, we need the following lemma.

**Lemma 5.** Fix pk. For every prf-adversary  $\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}$  against  $\hat{F}$ , there exists a  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}$  against F' such that,

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}},\hat{F}}^{\mathrm{prf}} \leq \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{F'},F'}^{\mathrm{prf}} + \delta(q)$$
  

$$\mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{B}_{F'}) = \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}) + q \cdot \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathtt{Enc})$$
  

$$\mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{B}_{F'}) = \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}) + 3\lambda.$$

where q is the number of queries made by  $\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}$ .

The main difference in Lemma 5 with the ones in the previous section is the decryption error of PKE. In other words, we can not claim that Enc(pk, .) is an injective function. However, if  $\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}$  can query with messages  $m_1, m_2$  such that  $\text{Enc}(pk, m_1) = \text{Enc}(pk, m_2)$ , implying a decryption error for either  $m_1$  or  $m_2$ .

*Proof.* First, we prove that if F' is a prf, then  $\hat{F}$  is a prf. Let  $\mathbf{0}$  be the oracle of  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}$ .  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}$  runs Gen to receive pk, sk, and invokes  $\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}$ . For every query m of  $\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}$ , computes c = Enc(pk, m), and checks whether m = Dec(sk, c). If the check fails  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}$  aborts. If the check succeeds,  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}$  queries  $\mathbf{0}(c)$ , and the response of the oracle is passed to  $\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}$ . When  $\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}$  outputs a bit  $b, \mathcal{B}_{F}$  outputs b.

If  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}$  aborts on input m, then correctness error occurs in Dec(sk, Enc(pk, m)). By assumption, probability of this event is bounded by  $\delta(q)$ . Conditioned on that  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}$  does not abort, the output of Enc(pk, m) are unique for all m queried by  $\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}$ . In that case,  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}$  perfectly simulates the prf game of  $\hat{F}$ . When  $\mathsf{O}$  is a random function, the simulation implements a random function. When  $\mathsf{O}$  is implemented by F',  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}$  implements  $\hat{F}$ . Thus we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Succ}_{\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}},\mathrm{prf}[\hat{F}]} &= \mathbf{Succ}_{\mathcal{B}_{F'},\mathrm{prf}[F']} + \mathrm{Prob}[\mathcal{B}_{F'} \text{ aborts}] \leq \mathbf{Succ}_{\mathcal{B}_{F'},\mathrm{prf}[F']} + \delta(q) \\ \implies \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}},\hat{F}}^{\mathrm{prf}} \leq \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{F'},F'}^{\mathrm{prf}} + \delta(q) \end{aligned}$$

In order to simulate the prf game of  $\hat{F}$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_F$  needs to run Enc for q many times. Moreover,  $\mathcal{B}_F$  needs store pk, sk and a temporary variable for passing the values. The lemma follows.

### 4.3 Proof of Theorem 8

It is obvious that the correctness holds. We prove rest of Theorem 8 via a sequence of games. Formal description of the games are given in the Figs. 14 and 15.

Game  $G_0$ .  $G_0$  is the OW-PCVA security game of  $\mathsf{PKE}_1$ .

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{A},\mathsf{PKE}_1}^{\mathsf{OW-PCVA}} = \operatorname{Prob}[G_0^{\mathcal{A}} = 1]$$

$\mathbf{G_0},$	G1-G7	Ga	ame G <sub>0</sub>	Pro	ocedure $\mathtt{H}'(m)$
Go, 1: 2: 3: 4: 5: 6: 7: 8: 9:	$\begin{array}{c c} \mathbf{G_1} \textbf{-} \mathbf{G_7} \\ \hline (pk, sk) \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathbf{Gen} \\ \hline m^* \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{M} \\ \hline k' \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0, 1\}^{\lambda} \\ \hline c_2 = \mathbf{H}'(m^*) \\ c_1 = \mathbf{Enc}(pk, m^*) \\ c^* = (c_1, c_2) \\ \hline m \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{PCO,CVO,H'}(pk, c^*) \\ \mathbf{if} \ m^* = m \ \mathbf{return} \ 1 \\ \mathbf{else} \ \mathbf{return} \ 0 \end{array}$	$     \frac{\Pr}{1:}     \frac{1:}{2:}     \frac{1:}{3:}     \frac{1:}{4:}     \frac{1:}{5:}     \frac{1:}{6:}     \frac{7:}{8:}     9:     $	ame G <sub>0</sub> pocedure PCO(m, c) Parse $c = c_1    c_2$ $m' = \text{Dec}(sk, c_1)$ $c'_1 = \text{Enc}(pk, m')$ $c'_2 = \text{H}'(m')$ $c' = c'_1    c'_2$ if $m' = m$ and $c' = c$ return 1 else return 0	$\frac{\Pr_{0}}{1:}$ $\frac{2:}{3:}$ $\frac{1:}{2:}$ $\frac{2:}{3:}$ $\frac{1:}{2:}$ $\frac{3:}{4:}$ $5:}$ $6:$	if $H'(m)$ is undefined $H'(m) \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{M}$ endif return $H'(m)$ cedure $CVO(c)$ Parse $c = c_1    c_2$ $m' = Dec(sk, c_1)$ $c'_1 = Enc(pk, m')$ $c'_2 = H'(m')$ $c' = c'_1    c'_2$ if $m' \in \mathcal{M}$ and $c' = c$
				8:	else
				9:	return 0

Fig. 14. The main function of games  $G_0 - G_7$ . The boxed statement is not executed in  $G_0$ . Right hand side figure describes the oracles in  $G_0$ 

Game **G**<sub>1</sub>. In this game, we replace  $\mathbb{H}'$  by prf  $\hat{F}$ . By Lemma 1, there exists adversary,  $\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}$  such that

$$\left|\operatorname{Prob}[G_1^{\mathcal{A}}=1] - \operatorname{Prob}[G_0^f=1]\right| \le \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}},\hat{F}}^{\operatorname{prf}} \tag{1}$$

Game **G**<sub>2</sub>. In this game, we modify the  $PCO(m, c = (c_1, c_2))$  oracle simulation. Instead of the decryption,  $m' = Dec(sk, c_1)$ , and equality check m = m', we only check whether,  $c_1 = Enc(pk, m)$ . Notice, the condition  $c_2 = \hat{F}(k', m)$  remains unchanged. Conditioned on correctness error does not happen,  $c'_1 = c_1 = Enc(pk, m)$  implies that  $m' = Dec(sk, c'_1) = m$ . Hence, this change does not affect the transcript distribution until correctness error occurs in PKE.

$$\left|\operatorname{Prob}[G_1^{\mathcal{A}}=1] - \operatorname{Prob}[G_2^{\mathcal{A}}=1]\right| \leq \delta(q_P)$$

Game **G**<sub>3</sub>. In this game we replace  $\hat{F}$  as defined. The change is syntactical and does not change the distribution of any output.

$$\operatorname{Prob}[G_2^{\mathcal{A}} = 1] = \operatorname{Prob}[G_3^{\mathcal{A}} = 1]$$

Game **G**<sub>4</sub>. In this game, we change how the oracles PCO and CVO responds. For a PCO(m, c) query, we no longer encrypt m to compute  $c'_2$ . Instead, we run the plaintext checking oracle  $\overline{PCO}$ , provided for PKE, to check correctness of  $(m, c_1)$ . If  $c_1$  is indeed a valid ciphertext of m, then by deterministic property of PKE,  $F'(k, \operatorname{Enc}(pk, m))$  is equal to  $F'(k, c_1)$ . Hence we only check whether

Ga	me G <sub>1</sub>	Game G <sub>2</sub>	G	ame G <sub>3</sub>
Pro	cedure $\mathtt{H}'(m)$	Procedure $H'(n)$	n) P	rocedure $H'(m)$
1: 2:	$h' = \hat{F}(k', m)$ return $h'$	1: $h' = \hat{F}(k')$ 2: return $h'$	m) 1 2	c = Enc(pk, m) h' = F'(k', c)
Pro	cedure $PCO(m, c)$	Procedure PCO	(m,c) 3	: return h
1:	Parse $c = c_1    c_2$	1: Parse $c =$	$c_1    c_2$ $\underline{P}$	rocedure $PCO(m, c)$
2:	$m' = \texttt{Dec}(sk, c_1)$	2: $c'_{2} = \hat{F}(k'$	, m) = 1	: Parse $c = c_1    c_2$
3:	$c_1' = \mathtt{Enc}(pk,m')$	3: <b>if</b> $c'_2 = c_2$	$\wedge \operatorname{Enc}(pk,m) = c_1  2$	: $c_1' = \operatorname{Enc}(pk, m)$
4:	$c_2' = \hat{F}(k', m')$	4: return	1 3	: $c'_2 = F'(k', c'_1)$
5:	$c' = c_1'    c_2'$	5: else	4	: <b>if</b> $c'_2 = c_2 \wedge c'_1 = c_1$
6:	$\mathbf{if}\ m'=m\ \mathrm{and}\ c'=c$	6: return	0 5	: return 1
7:	return 1		6	: else
8:	else	Procedure CVO	<i>c</i> ) 7	: return 0
9:	return 0	1: Parse $c =$	$c_1    c_2$ P	rocedure $CVO(c)$
Pro	cedure $CVO(c)$	2: $m' = Dec($ 3: $c'_1 = Enc()$	$sk, c_1) = -$ bk, m') = 1	: Parse $c = c_1    c_2$
1:	Parse $c = c_1    c_2$	4: $c'_2 = \hat{F}(k')$	. <i>m</i> ′) <sup>2</sup>	: $m' = \texttt{Dec}(sk, c_1)$
2:	$m' = \texttt{Dec}(sk, c_1)$	5: $c' = c'_1    c'_2$	3	: $c_1' = \operatorname{Enc}(pk, m')$
3:	$c_1' = \mathtt{Enc}(pk,m')$	6: if $m' \in \mathcal{N}$	$t \text{ and } c' = c \qquad 4$	: $c'_2 = F'(k', c'_1)$
4:	$c_2' = \hat{F}(k', m')$	7: return	1 5	: $c' = c'_1    c'_2$
5:	$c' = c'_1    c'_2$	8: else	6	: <b>if</b> $m' \in \mathcal{M}$ and $c' = c$
6:	if $m' \in \mathcal{M}$ and $c' = c$	9: return	0 7	: return 1
7:	return 1		8	: else
8:	else		9	: return 0
9:	return 0			

Fig. 15. The oracles in  $G_1, G_2, G_3$ 

 $F'(k, c_1) = c_2$ . The change in PCO is syntactical, and does not change output distribution of the oracle.

Similarly, in CVO, we change the computation of  $c'_2$ , which is now computed as  $F(k', c_1)$ . If  $c_1 = c'_1$ , then the change is syntactical and has no effect in the check in Step 5. If  $c_1 \neq c'_1$ , the condition in Step 5 rejects irrespective of the value of  $c'_2$ . Hence, this change does not change the output distribution of the oracles as well.

$$\operatorname{Prob}[G_3^{\mathcal{A}} = 1] = \operatorname{Prob}[G_4^{\mathcal{A}} = 1]$$

Game **G**<sub>5</sub>. We change the description of the oracle CVO(c). We raise a flag BAD, if  $c'_2 = c_2$  but  $c_1$  is not a valid ciphertext of PKE, i.e  $m' \notin \mathcal{M}$  or  $c_1 \neq Enc(pk, m')$  where  $m' = Dec(c_1)$ . However, we do not change the output of the oracle. CVO(c) still return 0 when BAD is set.

$$\operatorname{Prob}[G_4^{\mathcal{A}}=1] = \operatorname{Prob}[G_5^{\mathcal{A}}=1]$$

Game G <sub>4</sub>		Gai	me $G_5$ $G_6$	Ga	me G7
${\rm Procedure}\;{\tt H}'$	(m)	Pro	cedure $H'(m)$	Pro	cedure $\mathtt{H}'(m)$
1: $c = \text{Enc}$ 2: $h' = F'$ 3: return	$egin{aligned} & (pk,m) \ & k',c) \ & h' \end{aligned}$	1: 2: 3:	$\begin{split} c &= \texttt{Enc}(pk,m) \\ h' &= F'(k',c) \\ \textbf{return} \ h' \end{split}$	1: 2: 3:	$\begin{split} c &= \texttt{Enc}(pk,m) \\ h' &= F'(k',c) \\ \textbf{return} \ h' \end{split}$
Procedure PC	O(m,c)	Pro	cedure $PCO(m, c)$	Pro	cedure $PCO(m, c)$
1:Parse $c$ 2:if $\overline{PCO}(n)$ 3: $c'_2 = 1$ 4:if $c'_2$ :	$= c_1    c_2$ $n, c_1) = 1$ $F'(k', c_1)$ $= c_2$	1: 2: 3: 4:	Parse $c = c_1    c_2$ if $\overline{\text{PCO}}(m, c_1) = 1$ $c'_2 = F'(k', c_1)$ if $c'_2 = c_2$	1: 2: 3: 4:	Parse $c = c_1    c_2$ if $\overline{\text{PCO}}(m, c_1) = 1$ $c'_2 = F'(k', c_1)$ if $c'_2 = c_2$
5: ret	<b>urn</b> 1	5:	return 1	5:	return 1
6: endif		6:	endif	6:	endif
7: endif		7:	endif	7:	endif
8: return	0	8:	return 0	8:	return 0
Procedure CV	0(c)	Pro	cedure $CVO(c)$	Pro	cedure $CVO(c)$
1: Parse $c$	$= c_1    c_2$	1:	Parse $c = c_1    c_2$	1:	Parse $c = c_1    c_2$
2: $m' = De$	$c(sk, c_1)$	2:	$m' = \texttt{Dec}(sk, c_1)$	2:	$c_2' = F'(k', c_1)$
$3: c'_1 = \operatorname{End}$	c(pk,m')	3:	$c_1' = \texttt{Enc}(pk,m')$	3:	if $c'_2 = c_2$
$4: c'_2 = F'_1$	$(k',c_1)$	4:	$c_2' = F'(k', c_1)$	4:	return 1
5: <b>if</b> $c'_2 = c'_2$	$c_2 \wedge m' \in \mathcal{M} \wedge c_1' = c_1$	5:	if $c'_2 = c_2$	5:	else
6: retur	<b>n</b> 1	6:	if $m' \notin \mathcal{M}$ or $c'_1 \neq c_1$	6:	return 0
7: else		7:	Bad = 1		
8: retur	<b>n</b> 0	8:	return 0 return 1		
		9:	else		
		10:	return 1		
		11:	endif		
		12:	else		
		13:	return 0		

Fig. 16. The oracles in  $G_4, G_5, G_6, G_7$ . PCO is the plaintext checking oracle for PKE.

Game  $G_6$ . In game  $G_6$ , CVO(c) returns 1, when BAD is set. Rest of the games remain unchanged. By the fundamental lemma of game playing proofs,

$$\left|\operatorname{Prob}[G_5^{\mathcal{A}}=1] - \operatorname{Prob}[G_6^{\mathcal{A}}=1]\right| \leq \operatorname{Prob}[\operatorname{BAD}]$$

Note, in the game  $G_6$ , the oracle CVO returns 1, if and only if  $c_2 = F'(k', c_1)$ . Game  $G_7$ . We rewrite the description of CVO(c). We no longer run Dec and Enc. The oracle CVO(c) parses c as  $c_1 || c_2$ , and returns 1 if  $c_2 = F'(k', c_1)$  and returns 0 otherwise. Rest of the game remain unchanged. As the output distribution of all the procedures in  $G_7$  is same as that in  $G_6$ .

$$\operatorname{Prob}[G_6^{\mathcal{A}} = 1] = \operatorname{Prob}[G_7^{\mathcal{A}} = 1]$$

**Bounding Prob** $[G_7^{\mathcal{A}} = 1]$ . In Fig. 17, we construct an adversary  $\mathcal{B}$  against OW-PCA security of PKE.  $\mathcal{B}$  receives  $(pk, c^*)$ , invokes  $\mathcal{A}(pk, c^*)$  and perfectly simulates the game  $\mathbf{G}_7$  for  $\mathcal{A}$ . When  $\mathcal{A}$  returns a message  $m, \mathcal{B}$  returns m.

Algorithm $\mathcal{B}^{\overline{PCO}(.)}(pk,c)$	Procedure $H'(m)$
1: $k' \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \{0,1\}^{\lambda}$	1: $c = \operatorname{Enc}(pk, m)$
2: $c_2 = F'(k', c')$	2:  h' = F'(k',c)
$3: c^* = c    c_2$	3: return $h'$
$4:  m \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{PCO(.),CVO(.),H'}(pk,c^*)$	Procedure $PCO(m, c)$
5: return $m$	
	1: Parse $c = c_1    c_2$
$\frac{\text{Procedure } CVO(c)}{c}$	2: <b>if</b> $\overline{PCO}(m, c_1) = 1$
1: Parse $c = c_1    c_2$	3: $c'_2 = F'(k', c_1)$
2: $c'_2 = F'(k', c_1)$	4: <b>if</b> $c'_2 = c_2$
3: <b>if</b> $c'_2 = c_2$	5 : return 1
4: <b>return</b> 1	6: <b>endif</b>
5: else	7: endif
6 : return 0	8 : <b>return</b> 0

$$\operatorname{Prob}[G_7^{\mathcal{A}}=1] = \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B},PKE}^{\operatorname{OW-PCA}}$$

Fig. 17. OW-PCA adversary  $\mathcal{B}$ 

Efficiency of  $\mathcal{B}$ . Algorithm  $\mathcal{B}$  runs  $\mathcal{A}$ , queries PCO for  $q_P$  many times, runs Enc for  $q_{h'}$  many times, and computes F' for  $(1 + q_{h'} + q_V + q_P)$  many times. Rest of the steps take  $\mathcal{O}(\text{poly}(\lambda))$  time.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{B}) = & \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{A}) + q_{h'}\mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathtt{Enc}) \\ & + (1 + q_{h'} + q_V + q_P)\mathbf{LocalTime}(F') + \mathcal{O}(\mathrm{poly}(\lambda)) + q_I \end{aligned}$$

The last  $q_P$  term in the right hand side denotes the number of queries made to PCO.

Memory Efficiency of  $\mathcal{B}$ .  $\mathcal{B}$  needs to save the code of  $\mathcal{A}$ , Enc, and F'. In addition, there are following  $\lambda$  size registers,  $c^*, c_1, c_2, k', m, c, c'_2, h'$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{B}) = & \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{A}) + \mathbf{LocalMem}(F') \\ & + & \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathtt{Enc}) + 8\lambda \end{aligned}$$

**Bounding Prob**[BAD]. To bound Prob[BAD], we construct a prf adversary  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)}$  against F'. Recall that BAD occurs when for a CVO(c) query, we get

$$c'_2 = c_2$$
 and  $(m' \notin \mathcal{M} \text{ or } c'_1 \neq c_1)$ 

where  $c = c_1 || c_2, m' = \text{Dec}(sk, c_1), c'_1 = \text{Enc}(pk, m')$ , and  $c'_2 = F'(k', c_1)$ .

**Case**  $m' \in \mathcal{M}$  and  $c'_1 \neq c_1$ . In this case correctness error occurs in PKE. Probability of this event is bounded by  $\delta(q_V)$ .

**Case**  $m' \notin \mathcal{M}$ . In this case, for an invalid ciphertext  $c_1$  in PKE,  $\mathcal{A}$  can produce a  $c_2$  such that  $c_2 = F'(k', c_1)$ . As  $\mathcal{A}$  has no direct access to F'(k', .) evaluation, and  $c_1$  is an invalid ciphertext, there is no H'(m) or PCO(m, c) query in the transcript for which  $F'(k', c_1)$  was evaluated. Notice that, in PCO(m, c) evaluates  $F'(k', c_1)$  only when  $PCO(m, c_1) = 1$ , which can not occur here. So, BAD = 1 implies that  $\mathcal{A}$  can "guess" the output of  $F'(k', c_1)$  for some  $c_1 \in \mathcal{C}$ . For random function this can happen with probability  $\frac{q_V}{2\eta}$ . If BAD happens in significantly more probability in  $\mathcal{G}_5$ , that can be used to break the prf security of F'.

Formal description of  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)}$  is given in Fig. 18.  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)}$  perfectly simulates game  $G_5$  with the help of its oracle  $\mathcal{O}_{F'}$ . If  $\mathcal{A}$  ever submits a CVO(c) query for which BAD occurs,  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)}$  outputs 1 and halts. If no such query is made, then at the end of the simulation,  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)}$  outputs 0. If  $\mathcal{O}_{F'}$  is a random function, then for a fixed CVO(c) query,  $Prob[\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)} = 1]$  is at most  $\frac{1}{2^{\eta}}$ . Taking union bound over all the CVO(c) queries made by  $\mathcal{A}$ , when  $\mathcal{O}_{F'}$  is a random function,  $Prob[\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)} = 1]$  is at most  $\frac{q_V}{2^{\eta}}$ . When  $\mathcal{O}_{F'}$  is the prf F',  $Prob[\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)} = 1]$  is exactly Prob[BAD] in  $G_5$ .

$\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)}$	Procedure $H'(m)$	Procedure $CVO(c)$
$1: (pk,sk)\xleftarrow{\$} \mathtt{Gen}$	1: $c = \operatorname{Enc}(pk, m)$	1: Parse $c = c_1    c_2$
$2:  m^* \stackrel{\hspace{0.1em}\scriptscriptstyle\$}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{M}$	$2:  h' = \mathbf{O}_{F'}(c)$	2: $m' = \texttt{Dec}(sk, c_1)$
3: $c_2 = 0_{F'}(m^*)$	3: return $h'$	3: $c_1' = \texttt{Enc}(pk, m')$
4: $c_1 = \text{Enc}(pk, m^*)$		4: $c'_2 = 0_{F'}(c_1)$
5: $c^* = (c_1, c_2)$	Procedure $PCO(m, c)$	5: <b>if</b> $c'_2 = c_2$
6: BAD = 0	1: Parse $c = c_1    c_2$	6: <b>if</b> $m' \notin \mathcal{M}$ or $c'_1 \neq c_1$
7: $m \leftarrow \mathcal{A}^{PCO,CVO,H'}(pk,c^*)$	2: if $\operatorname{Enc}(pk,m) = c_1$	7: $BAD = 1$
8: <b>if</b> BAD = 1	3: $c'_2 = 0_{F'}(c_1)$	8: <b>return</b> 0
9: Output 1	4: <b>if</b> $c'_2 = c_2$	9: <b>else</b>
10: else	5 : <b>return</b> 1	10: <b>return</b> 1
11: <b>Output</b> 0	6 : <b>endif</b>	11: <b>endif</b>
F F F	7: endif	12: <b>else</b>
	8 : return 0	13 : return 0

Fig. 18. The PRF adversary  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)}$ 

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)},F'}^{\mathrm{prf}} &\geq \left| \mathrm{Prob}[\mathrm{BAD}] - \frac{q_V}{2\eta} - \delta(q_V) \right| \\ \Longrightarrow \ \mathrm{Prob}[\mathrm{BAD}] &\leq \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)},F'}^{\mathrm{prf}} + \frac{q_V}{2\eta} + \delta(q_V) \end{aligned}$$

Efficiency of  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)}$ .  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)}$  runs  $\mathcal{A}$  once, algorithm Gen once, algorithm Enc for  $(1 + q_{h'} + q_P + q_V)$  times, and Dec for  $q_V$  times. Additionally  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)}$  queries the oracle  $\mathbf{0}_{F'}$  for  $(1 + q_{h'} + q_P + q_V)$  times.

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)}) \approx & \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{A}) + \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathtt{Gen}) + q_V \cdot \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathtt{Dec}) \\ & + (1 + q_{h'} + q_P + q_V)(1 + \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathtt{Enc})) \end{split}$$

 $\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)}$  needs to save the code of  $\mathcal{A}$ , Gen, Enc, and Dec. In addition, it needs to save eight  $\lambda$  size and a flag of a single bit. registers.

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)}) \approx & \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{A}) + \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathtt{Gen}) + \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathtt{Enc}) \\ & + \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathtt{Dec}) + 8\lambda + 1 \end{split}$$

Finishing the Proof of Theorem 8. Collecting the probabilities of the games, we have proven so far, there exist adversaries  $\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}}$ , and  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)}$ , such that

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{A},\mathsf{PKE}_{1}}^{\mathrm{OW-PCVA}} \leq \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B},\mathsf{PKE}}^{\mathrm{OW-PCA}} + \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{\hat{F}},\hat{F}}^{\mathrm{prf}} + \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)},F'}^{\mathrm{prf}} + \frac{q_{V}}{2^{\eta}} + \delta(q_{V}) + \delta(q_{p})$$

Applying Lemma 5, we get a  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(2)}$  such that,

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{A},\mathsf{PKE}_{1}}^{\mathsf{OW-PCVA}} \leq & \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B},\mathsf{PKE}}^{\mathsf{OW-PCA}} + \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(2)},F'}^{\mathrm{prf}} + \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)},F'}^{\mathrm{prf}} + \frac{q_{V}}{2^{\eta}} \\ & + \delta(q_{V}) + \delta(q_{p}) + \delta(1 + q_{h'} + q_{P} + q_{V}) \end{split}$$

Efficiency of  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(2)}$  is bounded using following lemma.

# Lemma 6

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(2)}) \approx & \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{A}) + \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathtt{Gen}) + (q_V + q_P) \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathtt{Dec}) \\ &+ (2 + 2q_V + 2q_P + q_{h'}) \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathtt{Enc}) + (1 + q_{h'} + q_P + q_V) \\ & \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(2)}) \approx & \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{A}) + \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathtt{Gen}) + \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathtt{Enc}) \\ &+ & \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathtt{Dec}) + 11\lambda \end{split}$$

Merging  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(1)}$  and  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}^{(2)}$  into one adversary  $\mathcal{B}_{F'}$ , and taking upper bound of their efficiencies, we get Theorem 8.

# 5 Memory-Tight Reductions for Fujisaki-Okamoto Transformation and Variants

In this section, we prove memory-tight reduction of the IND-CCA security of four different variants of the Fujisaki-Okamoto transformation, following the modular approach of [16]. Before describing the exact transformations we consider, first we recall the modules introduces in [16].

### 5.1 Brief Overview of Modules from [16]

We recall the modules in the top-down fashion. First we describe the transformations from a public key encryption scheme to a key encapsulation mechanisms.

**Table 2.** Variants of transformation U. In the column Decap, s is a random string, sk' = sk||s|, and  $m = \text{Dec}_1(sk, c)$ .

Transformations & security implications	Encap(pk)	$\mathtt{Decap}(sk',c)$
$U^{\not\perp}(OW\text{-PCA} \Rightarrow IND\text{-CCA})$	$(c=\operatorname{Enc}_1(pk,m),K=\operatorname{H}(m,c))_{m\xleftarrow{\$}\mathcal{M}}$	$ \begin{array}{l} {\rm H}(m,c) \mbox{ if } m \neq \perp \\ {\rm H}(s,c) \mbox{ if } m = \perp \end{array} \end{array} $
$\mathbf{U}_m^{\not L}(\mathtt{det} + \mathbf{OW}\text{-}\mathbf{CPA} \Rightarrow \mathtt{IND}\text{-}\mathbf{CCA})$	$(c = \operatorname{Enc}_1(pk,m), K = \operatorname{H}(m))_{m \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{M}}$	$\begin{array}{ll} \mathrm{H}(m) & \mathrm{if} \ m \neq \bot \\ \mathrm{H}(s,c) & \mathrm{if} \ m = \bot \end{array}$
$U^{\perp}(OW\text{-}PCVA \Rightarrow IND\text{-}CCA)$	$(c=\operatorname{Enc}_1(pk,m),K=\operatorname{H}(m,c))_{m\xleftarrow{\$}\mathcal{M}}$	$ \begin{array}{l} \mathtt{H}(m,c) \text{ if } m \neq \perp \\ \perp \qquad \text{ if } m = \perp \end{array} $
$\mathbf{U}_m^{\perp}(\mathtt{det} + \mathbf{OW}\text{-}\mathbf{VA} \Rightarrow \mathbf{IND}\text{-}\mathbf{CCA})$	$(c = \operatorname{Enc}_1(pk, m), K = \operatorname{H}(m))_{m \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{M}}$	$\begin{array}{ll} \mathtt{H}(m) \text{ if } m \neq \perp \\ \perp & \text{ if } m = \perp \end{array}$

**Outer Modules:**  $U^{\perp}$ ,  $U_m^{\perp}$ ,  $U^{\perp}$ ,  $U_m^{\perp}$ . Let  $\mathsf{PKE}_1 = (\mathsf{Gen}_1, \mathsf{Enc}_1, \mathsf{Dec}_1)$  be a public key encryption scheme with the message space  $\mathcal{M}$  and let  $\mathbb{H} : \mathcal{M} \to \mathcal{K}$  be a hash function. Table 2 describes the variants of module U to construct a KEM using  $\mathsf{PKE}_1$  and  $\mathbb{H}$ . The transformations yield KEM of two categories. Transformations  $U^{\perp}$  and  $U_m^{\perp}$  are in the category of implicit rejection, as the decapsulation algorithms in these transformations do not output  $\perp$ , when queried with an invalid ciphertext. Transformation  $U^{\perp}$ ,  $U_m^{\perp}$  are in the category of explicit rejection, implying that the decapsulation algorithms, given any invalid ciphertext, indeed output  $\perp$ .

**Inner Module:** *T.* Let  $\overline{\mathsf{PKE}} = (\mathsf{Gen}, \overline{\mathsf{Enc}}, \overline{\mathsf{Dec}})$  be an IND-CPA secure public key encryption scheme. Let  $\mathcal{M} = \{0, 1\}^n$  be the message space,  $\mathcal{C}$  be the ciphertext space, and  $\mathcal{R}$  be the randomness space. Let  $\mathsf{G} : \mathcal{M} \to \mathcal{R}$  be a hash function. The transformation T results in a deterministic public key encryption scheme  $\mathsf{PKE} = T[\overline{\mathsf{PKE}}, \mathsf{G}]$ . Formal description of T is given in Fig. 19.

Procedure $\texttt{Enc}(pk, m)$	Procedure $Dec(sk, c)$	
1: $c = \overline{\operatorname{Enc}}(pk,m;\mathbf{G}(m))$	1:	$m' = \overline{\texttt{Dec}}(sk,c)$
2 : return $c$	2:	$\mathbf{if}\ m' = \perp \lor  \overline{\mathtt{Enc}}(pk,m';\mathtt{G}(m')) \neq c$
	3:	return $\perp$
	4:	else return $m'$

Fig. 19. Encryption scheme  $\mathsf{PKE} = T[\overline{\mathsf{PKE}}]$ 

## 5.2 Considered Variants and the Reductions

We consider three other variants of FO transformations. The variants and their modular decomposition are listed in Table 3. For each transformation we start with an IND-CPA secure public key encryption  $\overline{PKE}$ . We prove memory-tight reduction for each of the modules next.

Table 3. Variants of FO transformations and their modular breakup

Category	Transformation	Modular decomposition
Implicit rejection	KEM <sup>⊥</sup>	$\mathrm{U}^{\not\perp}\left[T[\overline{PKE},\mathtt{G}],\mathtt{H} ight]$
	$\operatorname{KEM}_m^{\not\perp}$	$\mathrm{U}_m^{\not\perp}[T[\overline{PKE},\mathtt{G}],\mathtt{H}]]$
Explicit Rejection	$\operatorname{QKEM}_m^\perp$	$\mathrm{U}_m^{\perp}[V[T[\overline{PKE},\mathtt{G}],\mathtt{H}'],\mathtt{H}]$

### Memory-Tight Reduction for T: IND-CPA $\Rightarrow$ OW-PCA.

**Theorem 10** Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be any adversary in the OW-PCA game of PKE. Suppose  $\mathcal{A}$  makes  $q_g$  queries to G. Let  $q_p$  denote the number of plaintext checking queries made by  $\mathcal{A}$ . Then, in the random oracle model, there exists adversaries  $\mathcal{B}$  in the IND-CPA game against  $\overline{\mathsf{PKE}}$ , and  $\mathcal{B}_F$  in the prf game, such that

$$\mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{A},\mathsf{PKE}}^{\mathrm{OW-PCA}} \leq 3 \cdot \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B},\overline{\mathsf{PKE}}}^{\mathrm{IND-CPA}} + \mathbf{Adv}_{\mathcal{B}_F,F}^{\mathrm{prf}} + \frac{2q_g + 1}{|\mathcal{M}|} + \delta(q_p + q_g)$$

 $\mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{B}) \approx \mathbf{LocalTime}(\mathcal{A}) + (q_g + q_p)\mathbf{LocalTime}(F)$  $\mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{B}) \approx \mathbf{LocalMem}(\mathcal{A}) + \mathbf{LocalMem}(F)$ 

The proof of the above theorem follows exactly from the proof of analogous Theorem 3.2 of [16] and using the random oracle simulation by a prf F. Moreover, from [16], we get that, if PKE is strongly  $\overline{\delta}$  correct, then PKE is  $\delta(q_g + q_p)$  correct where  $\delta(x) = x\overline{\delta}$ .

**Memory-Tight Reduction for** *V*: OW-PCA  $\Rightarrow$  OW-PCVA. It follows from Theorem 8.

**Memory-Tight Reduction for Variants of** U. Table 2 lists four variants of U with different security implications. The memory-efficient reductions of these implications are in principle same as the proofs presented in [16]. The only difference is in the simulation of the Random Oracle H. In Table 4, we write the precise functions to be used to simulate the random oracles in the reductions. We assume the message space of the underlying encryption scheme to be  $\{0, 1\}^{\mu}$ . PCO(m, c) returns 1 if c decrypts to m. CVO(c) returns 0 if c decrypts to  $\bot$ .

Transformation	Key Derivation	RO simulation in Hash Query	RO Simulation in Decap query
U⊥∕	$K = \mathbf{H}(m, c)$	if $PCO(m, c) = 1$	$K = F(k, 0, 0^{\mu}, c)$
		$K = F(k, 0, 0^{\mu}, c)$	
		else	
		K = F(k, 1, m, c)	
$U^{\perp}$	K = H(m, c)	if  PCO(m,c) = 1	if CVO(c) = 0
		$K = F(k, 0, 0^{\mu}, c)$	$K = \perp else$
		else	$K = F(k, 0, 0^{\mu}, c)$
		K = F(k, 1, m, c)	
$U_m^{\not\perp}$	K = H(m)	$K = F(k, \operatorname{Enc}_1(pk, m))$	K = F(k, c)
$U_m^{\perp}$	K = H(m)	$K = F(k, \texttt{Enc}_1(pk, m))$	if $CVO(c) = 0$
			$K = \perp$
			else
			K = F(k, c)

**Table 4.** Random oracle simulation for  $U^{\not L}$ ,  $U_m^{\not L}$ ,  $U_m^{\perp}$ ,  $U_m^{\perp}$ . We assume  $\mathcal{M} = \{0, 1\}^{\mu}$  is the message space of the underlying encryption scheme

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