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An Efficient Pairing-Free Certificateless Searchable Public Key Encryption for Cloud-Based IIoT

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The Industrial Internet of Things (IIoT), as a special form of Internet of Things (IoT), has great potential in realizing intelligent transformation and industrial resource utilization. However, there are security and privacy concerns about industrial data, which is shared on an open channel via sensor devices. To address these issues, many searchable encryption schemes have been presented to provide both data privacy-protection and data searchability. However, due to the use of expensive pairing operations, most previous schemes were inefficient. Recently, a certificateless searchable public-key encryption (CLSPE) scheme was designed by Lu et al. to remove the pairing operation. Unfortunately, we find that Lu et al.'s scheme is vulnerable to user impersonation attacks. To enhance the security, a new pairing-free dual-server CLSPE (DS-CLSPE) scheme for cloud-based IIoT deployment is designed in this paper. In addition, we provide security and efficiency analysis for DS-CLSPE. The analysis results show that DS-CLSPE can resist chosen keyword attacks (CKA) and has better efficiency than other related schemes.

1. Introduction

The gradual maturity of communication technology, especially the emergence of the 5-th generation wireless systems, has greatly promoted the popularization of IoT, which connects everything to the Internet for intelligent identification, tracking, monitoring, etc. [1-3]. Industrial IoT (IIoT) is one of the main application directions of IoT. It can collect the industrial data in real-time via various sensing devices (e.g., global positioning system and radio frequency identification), realize the optimal utilization of resources, improve the quality, and reduce the cost of the product through further analyzing those collected data [4].

IIoT provides new technological guidance for the development of industry and has great application potential. Nowadays, the IIoT market is expanding rapidly [5]. Meanwhile, the number of IIoT devices will also grow several times, inevitably leading to an explosion of the collected industrial data. In order to effectively manage and utilize these big data, users are more willing to outsource the data to the cloud server provider (CSP), which has powerful data storage and analytical capabilities [6]. In a cloud-based IIoT setting, as presented in Figure 1, massive industrial data is collected through sensor devices and transmitted to the CSP in realtime via the Internet. The CSP further analyzes and mines these data to provide better intelligent services for industrial sectors such as intelligent logistics and manufacturing.

Users enjoy various convenient services offered by CSP; however, their data security and privacy are seriously threatened [7–10]. One reason is that their data is transmitted on an open channel, so an adversary can eavesdrop on the transmitted data to obtain information about an enterprise's production or operations [11]. The other reason is that they will not be able to physically control the outsourced data nor will they be able to fully trust the CSP. For example, the CSP may exploit users' outsourced data to make illegal profits or carry



FIGURE 1: Cloud-based IIoT architecture.

out other malicious acts, such as tampering and deleting. Once the confidential data is eavesdropped or destroyed, it may cause unpredictable damage to an enterprise (e.g., huge economic losses). Overall, it is urgent to establish a practical mechanism with security and privacy preservation for IIoT data utilization and management.

Encryption is the most direct approach to guarantee data privacy. Users can first encrypt the confidential data and then submit the ciphertext to CSP. Although traditional encryption is effective in preserving the privacy of IIoT data, it also incurs some troubles in data utilizations, especially the problem of searching over encrypted data. Since the original data structure will be changed once it is encrypted, the search algorithms for plaintext will not be feasible for the encrypted data. To address this issue, the searchable encryption (SE) technology has emerged, which supports search over ciphertext according to keywords [12, 13]. The first symmetric SE (SSE) scheme was presented in [12]. However, SSE suffers from the troublesome key distribution. To resolve this problem, a SE scheme based on a public-key cryptosystem (SPE) was designed in [13]. Since then, various SPE schemes have been designed [14-17]. However, these SPE schemes face cumbersome certificate management or key escrow burden since the inherent designing structure based on public key infrastructure (PKI) and identity-based cryptosystem. The CLSPE schemes [18-20] can overcome these cumbersome burdens. However, most of the previous CLSPE schemes were computationally expensive since the use of many complex pairing operations. Recently, Lu and Li [21] presented a new CLSPE scheme without pairing operation. Unfortunately, we analyze their scheme suffer from user impersonation attack. To improve the security, we design a new DS-CLSPE scheme without pairing for cloud-based IIoT deployment.

1.1. Related Work. The SE technology provides the functionality of searching over ciphertext without losing the confidentiality of original data. The first concrete SE scheme was presented in [12], which was built on a symmetric cryptosystem. Later, various SSE schemes have been designed. A SSE scheme with verifiable functionality (VSSE) was presented in [22], which can both protect data privacy and provide the verifiability. Recently, Zuo et al. [23] gave two dynamic SSE schemes (i.e., Scheme-A and Scheme-B), which support range queries. The former scheme has forward security property but imposes a heavy storage cost on the client, and the latter scheme reduces the client's storage but loses the forward security. Later, a novel VSSE scheme with forward security was presented in [24]. However, all SSE schemes face the complex key management issue.

To avoid the key management issue, the concept of SPE was introduced in [13]. A SPE system contains three participants: cloud server (CS), data sender (DS), and data receiver (DR). DS uses DR's public key to encrypt his/her own data, including files and keywords extracted from files, and sends the encrypted data to CS. DR uses its own private key to produce a trapdoor for the keyword to be retrieved and submits the trapdoor to CS. Then, CS verifies whether the trapdoor matches the ciphertext and returns the successfully matched files to DR. Later, a SPE scheme with a designated server (dSPE) was constructed, in which only the specified server can run the test algorithm [14]. Lin et al. [25] designed a novel blockchain-based system for the secure outsourcing of bilinear pairings to remove the secure channel and the trusted server. To resist inside keyword guessing attack (IKGA), an authenticated SPE scheme was constructed in [15]. Recently, a SPE scheme with forward security was designed in [16] to resist file-injection attacks [26]. However, the above-proposed schemes are built on PKI cryptosystem; they inevitably face the complicated certificate management problem.

To reduce the overhead of managing certificate, an IDbased cryptosystem was introduced, in which the participant's public key is set to some public information (e.g., name and office number), and the private key is created by a key generation center (KGC) based on the public information [27]. A general framework for transforming a two-level anonymous ID-based encryption (IBE) scheme to an IDbased SPE (IBSPE) scheme was presented in [17]. Recently, Lu et al. [28] constructed an IBSPE with a designated server (dIBSPE), which supports conjunctive keyword search. Li et al. [29] designed two-authenticated dIBSPE schemes based on symmetric bilinear pairing and asymmetric bilinear pairing, respectively. In their schemes, any adversary cannot run the encryption algorithm to get a valid ciphertext unless it can capture the data sender's private key, and no adversary can perform the test algorithm correctly unless it has the ability to access the specified server's private key. Zhang et al. [30] constructed a proxy-oriented IBSPE scheme based on lattices to resist quantum computer attacks, in which the original data sender delegates his/her own data to a proxy for encryption in order to lower the computation cost of himself. However, all ID-based SPE schemes are plagued by key escrow issues.

In certificateless cryptosystem (CLC), the private key of the participant is jointly created by KGC and the participant itself, which resolves the burden of key escrow and certificate management existing in PKI-based and ID-based cryptosystem [31]. Peng et al. [18] introduced SE technology into the CLC system and proposed a CLSPE scheme with a designated server (dCLSPE). To lower computation overhead in [18], Islam et al. [19] designed a new dCLSPE scheme based on the problems of CDH and BDH. He et al. [20] constructed a novel-authenticated CLSPE scheme against IKGA attacks. However, all previous CLSPE schemes involve bilinear pairing operations, which require high computation overhead. Recently, a CLSPE scheme without pairing operation is designed in [21]. Unfortunately, we analyze scheme [21] cannot resist user impersonation attacks, thus, we develop a new pairing-free CLSPE scheme.

1.2. Research Contributions. An efficient pairing-free DS-CLSPE scheme for cloud-based IIoT is designed in this paper. The main research contributions are listed below:

- (i) First, we analyze Lu et al.'s scheme is subject to user impersonation attack, and their scheme requires a secure channel for trapdoor transmission
- (ii) Second, we give the system model for DS-CLSPE and construct a new DS-CLSPE scheme, which not only eliminates the need for bilinear pairings but also removes the use of secure channel
- (iii) Finally, we present a security analysis for DS-CLSPE and show it can resist the CKA attack. Furthermore, we evaluate the efficiency of DS-CLSPE in terms of computation and communication costs

1.3. Organization of the Paper. The following sections are arranged as below. Section 2 presents some preliminary knowledge. Section 3 shows the analysis of Lu et al.'s scheme. Section 4 gives the detailed construction of our DS-CLSPE scheme. Section 5 and Section 6 show the security proof and the performance analysis of DS-CLSPE, respectively. The last section is mainly to summarize the full paper.

2. Preliminaries

We first present the complexity assumptions used in this paper and then give the system model and formal definition of DS-CLSPE. 2.1. Complexity Assumptions. Suppose \mathbb{G} denotes a *q*-order cyclic group, and the point $P \in \mathbb{G}$ denotes a generator.

2.1.1. Computational Diffie-Hellman (CDH) Assumption. Given three points P, aP, $bP \in \mathbb{G}$ (a, $b \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$ are unknown numbers), to figure out abP.

2.2. System Model. As presented in Figure 2, a DS-CLSPE system contains five participants: data sender (DS), data receiver (DR), KGC, front server (FS), and back server (BS). The responsibilities of each participant are described below.

- (i) KGC is responsible for generating system parameters and participants' partial keys
- (ii) DS encrypts his/her own data and then outsources the encrypted data to FS and BS
- (iii) DR submits a trapdoor to FS for querying the encrypted data
- (iv) FS generates an intermediate testing-state ciphertext C_{ITS} according to the received trapdoor and submits C_{ITS} to BS
- (v) BS generates the final test results according to C_{ITS} and returns the test results to DR

2.3. Formal Definition. A DS-CLSPE scheme contains the following algorithms.

- (i) Setup(λ): this algorithm is implemented by KGC. Inputs a security parameter λ, returns the system master key s and public parameters parm
- (ii) PartialKeyGen(parm,s,ID_i): this algorithm is performed by KGC. Inputs parm, s, and the identity $ID_i(i \in \{DR, FS, BS\})$, outputs the partial key pair (T_i, d_i) for the corresponding participant
- (iii) KeyGen(parm,ID_i,T_i,d_i): each participant generates its own full public/private keys PK_i/SK_i by performing this algorithm
- (iv) Encrypt(parm, w, ID_i, PK_i): DS executes this algorithm to generate the ciphertext C_w for keyword w
- (v) Trapdoor(parm, w', SK_{DR}, PK_{FS}, PK_{BS}): DR performs this algorithm to obtain the trapdoor T_w' for w'.
- (vi) FrontTest(parm, C_w, T_w ',SK_{FS}): FS performs this algorithm to generate an intermediate testing-state C_{TTS}
- (vii) BackTest(parm, C_{ITS} ,SK_{BS}): this algorithm is performed by BS. Inputs parm, C_{ITS} , SK_{BS}, outputs "1" if the test succeeds and "0" otherwise

3. Weakness of Lu et al.'s Scheme

We first present Lu et al.'s scheme and then analyze its security weakness.



FIGURE 2: The system model for DS-CLSPE.

3.1. Review of Lu et al.'s Scheme. The detailed construction of Lu et al.'s scheme is as follows.

- (i) Setup(λ): suppose q is a large prime number and G is a group with order q. P denotes a generator selected from G, and h₁: {0, 1}* → Z^{*}_q, h₂: {0, 1}* → Z^{*}_q, and h₃: G → Z^{*}_q denote three different hash functions. KGC performs this algorithm as follows
 - (1) Selects $s \in \mathbb{Z}_{q}^{*}$ at random
 - (2) Calculates $P_{pub} = sP$
 - (3) Publishes parm = { \mathbb{G} , *P*, *P*_{pub}, *q*, *h*₁, *h*₂, *h*₃} and keeps *s* in secret
- (ii) PartialKeyGen(parm, *s*, ID_{DR}): KGC selects $t_{DR} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$, computes $T_{DR} = t_{DR}P$, $d_{DR} = t_{DR} + sh_1(ID_{DR})$, and sends the partial key pair $\{T_{DR}, d_{DR}\}$ to the receiver
- (iii) KeyGen(parm, ID_{DR}, T_{DR} , d_{DR}): the receiver picks $x_{DR} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$, calculates $P_{DR} = x_{DR}P$, and sets $PK_{DR} = (T_{DR}, P_{DR})$, $SK_{DR} = (d_{DR}, x_{DR})$ as his/her own public/private keys
- (iv) Encrypt(parm, w, PK_{DR}): the sender randomly chooses $r \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$, calculates $C_w^1 = rP$ and

$$C_w^2 = h_3(rh_2(w)Q_{\rm DR}),$$
 (1)

here $Q_{\text{DR}} = T_{\text{DR}} + P_{\text{DR}} + h_1(\text{ID}_{\text{DR}})P_{\text{pub}}$, and sets the ciphertext $C_w = (C_w^1, C_w^2)$.

(v) Trapdoor(parm, w', SK_{DR}): the receiver computes

$$T_{w}' = (d_{DR} + x_{DR})h_2(w').$$
 (2)

(vi) Test(parm, C_w , T_w'): given C_w and T_w' , the server checks

$$C_w^2 \stackrel{?}{=} h_3 \left(T_w' C_w^1 \right). \tag{3}$$

If this equation holds, returns "1"; Otherwise, returns "0".

3.2. Attack on Lu et al.'s Scheme. Lu et al.'s scheme cannot prevent user impersonation attack launched by TypeI adversary \mathcal{A}_1 . During the attack, \mathcal{A}_1 can first forge the private key of the receiver ID_{DR} and then impersonate ID_{DR} to calculate a trapdoor T_w for a challenge keyword w using the forged private key. The detail attack is presented below.

- (i) Setup: the challenger & generates {parm, s} by performing the Setup algorithm
- (ii) *Queries*: \mathscr{A}_1 with identity $ID_{\mathscr{A}_1}$ can ask the following queries
 - (1) Extract Partial Private Key Query: if \mathcal{A}_1 submits this query, then \mathcal{C} returns $\{d_{\mathcal{A}_1}, T_{\mathcal{A}_1}\}$ to \mathcal{A}_1 , where $d_{\mathcal{A}_1} = t_{\mathcal{A}_1} + sh_1(\mathrm{ID}_{\mathcal{A}_1})$ and $T_{\mathcal{A}_1} = t_{\mathcal{A}_1}P$

Upon receiving $\{d_{\mathcal{A}_1}, T_{\mathcal{A}_1}\}$, \mathcal{A}_1 can forge the partial key pair $(d_{\text{DR}}, T_{\text{DR}})$ of the receiver ID_{DR} as follows:

$$T_{\mathrm{DR}}^* = T_{\mathscr{A}_1} \cdot h_1(\mathrm{ID}_{\mathrm{DR}}) \cdot h_1(\mathrm{ID}_{\mathscr{A}_1})^{-1}, \qquad (4)$$

$$d_{DR}^* = d_{\mathscr{A}_1} \cdot h_1(ID_{DR}) \cdot h_1(ID_{\mathscr{A}_1})^{-1}.$$
 (5)

- (2) Replace Public Key Query: A₁ selects x^{*}_{DR} ∈ Z^{*}_q randomly and computes P^{*}_{DR} = x^{*}_{DR}P. Then, A₁ submits this query with (ID_{DR}, PK^{*}_{DR}), here P K^{*}_{DR} = (T^{*}_{DR}, P^{*}_{DR}). C will set PK_{DR} ← PK^{*}_{DR}
- (iii) Forge Trapdoor: once \mathcal{A}_1 has successfully forged d_{DR}^* and replaced PK_{DR} , it can forge a trapdoor T_{w_0} for a keyword w_0 with respect to the identity ID_{DR} as below:

$$T_{w_0} = (d_{\rm DR}^* + x_{\rm DR}^*)h_2(w_0). \tag{6}$$

(iv) Challenge: \mathscr{A}_1 returns the keywords (w_0, w_1) and the identity $\mathrm{ID}_{\mathrm{DR}}$ as challenge target. Then \mathscr{C} picks up $\mu \in \{0, 1\}$ randomly and returns $C_{w_{\mu}} \longleftarrow$ Encrypt (parm, w_{μ} , PK_{DR}) to \mathscr{A}_1

Upon receiving $C_{w_{\mu}}$, \mathscr{A}_1 performs Test algorithm and gets $\tau \leftarrow$ Test(parm, $C_{w_{\mu}}, T_{w_0}) \in \{0, 1\}$.

(v) Guess: A₁ returns μ' = 0 if τ = 1; otherwise, A₁ returns μ' = 1. It is easy to see that μ' = μ, i.e., the advantage of A₁ is always 1

4. The Proposed DS-CLSPE Scheme

To overcome the weakness of Lu et al.'s scheme and avoid the use of bilinear pairing, we develop a new dual-server CLSPE scheme. The details are described as follows.

- (i) Setup(λ): suppose q is a large prime number, G is a group with order q. Let P denote a generator of G, and h₀: {0,1}*×G→Z_q*, h₁: {0,1}*×G×G → Z_q*, and h₂: {0,1}*×{0,1}*→Z_q* denote three different hash functions. KGC performs the following steps
 - (1) Chooses $s \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$ randomly
 - (2) Calculates $P_{\text{pub}} = sP$
 - (3) Publishes parm = { $P, P_{pub}, \mathbb{G}, h_0, h_1, h_2$ } and keeps *s* secretly
- (ii) PartialKeyGen(parm, s, ID_i): takes parm, s, and the identity ID_i(i ∈ {DR, FS, BS}) as inputs, KGC performs this algorithm as follows

(1) Selects
$$t_i \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$$

- (2) Calculates $T_i = t_i P$, $d_i = t_i + s\alpha_i \mod q$, where $\alpha_i = h_0(\text{ID}_i, T_i)$.
- (3) Sends $\{T_i, d_i\}$ to the corresponding participant
- (iii) KeyGen(parm, ID_i, T_i , d_i): this algorithm is performed by the participant $i \in \{DR, FS, BS\}$ as follows
 - (1) Chooses $x_i \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$ randomly
 - (2) Calculates $P_i = x_i P$
 - (3) Sets $PK_i = (T_i, P_i)$ and $SK_i = (d_i, x_i)$
- (iv) Encrypt(parm, w, ID_i, PK_i): given ID_i, PK_i = (T_i, P_i) ($i \in \{DR, FS, BS\}$) and keyword w. DR performs the steps below to produce ciphertext C_w
 - (1) Selects $r \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$ randomly
 - (2) Calculates $C_w^1 = rP$
 - (3) Calculates

$$C_w^2 = rQ_{\rm FS} + rQ_{\rm BS} + h_2(w, {\rm ID}_{\rm DR})Q_{\rm DR},$$
 (7)

where

$$Q_i = T_i + \beta_i P_i + \alpha_i P_{\text{pub}}, \qquad (8)$$

$$\alpha_i = h_0(\mathrm{ID}_i, T_i), \qquad (9)$$

$$\beta_i = h_1(\mathrm{ID}_i, T_i, P_i). \tag{10}$$

(4) Sets $C_w = (C_w^1, C_w^2)$

The parameters $\{Q_i, \alpha_i, \beta_i\}$ can be published publicly.

- (v) Trapdoor(parm, w', SK_{DR}, PK_{FS}, PK_{BS}): the receiver generates the trapdoor T_w' of keyword w' as below
 (1) Selects l ∈ Z_q^{*} randomly
 - (2) Computes $T_{w'}^1 = lP$
 - (3) Computes

$$T_{w'}^{2} = (d_{\rm DR} + \beta_{\rm DR} x_{\rm DR}) h_{2} (w', \rm ID_{\rm DR}) Q_{\rm FS} + l Q_{\rm BS},$$
(11)

where Q_i and β_i are computed as above.

- (4) Sends $T_w' = (T_{w'}^1, T_{w'}^2)$ to the front server
- (vi) FrontTest(parm, C_w , T_w' , SK_{FS}): given the ciphertext C_w and a trapdoor T_w' , the front server FS performs the following steps to generate intermediate testing-state C_{ITS}
 - (1) Selects $\gamma \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$ randomly
 - (2) Calculates $C^* = (d_{FS} + \beta_{FS} x_{FS}) C_w^1$

$$C_1^* = \gamma (C^* - T_{w'}^1), \tag{12}$$

$$C_2^* = \gamma \left((d_{\rm FS} + \beta_{\rm FS} x_{\rm FS}) \left(C_w^2 - C^* \right) - T_{w'}^2 \right).$$
(13)

(4) Sends $C_{\text{ITS}} = (C_1^*, C_2^*)$ to the back server BS

(vii) BackTest(parm, C_{ITS}, SK_{BS}): the back server checks

$$C_2^* \stackrel{?}{=} (d_{\rm BS} + \beta_{\rm BS} x_{\rm BS}) C_1^*.$$
(14)

If this equation holds, BS returns "1"; otherwise, returns "0".

Correctness. Suppose that w = w', then we have

$$C^* = (d_{\rm FS} + \beta_{\rm FS} x_{\rm FS}) C_w^1 = r Q_{\rm FS}, \tag{15}$$

$$C_{1}^{*} = \gamma \left(C^{*} - T_{w'}^{1} \right) = \gamma (rQ_{\rm FS} - lP), \tag{16}$$

$$C_{2}^{*} = \gamma \left((d_{FS} + \beta_{FS} x_{FS}) (C_{w}^{2} - C^{*}) - T_{w'}^{2} \right)$$

$$= \gamma \left((d_{FS} + \beta_{FS} x_{FS}) (rQ_{BS} + h_{2}(w, ID_{DR})Q_{DR}) - T_{w'}^{2} \right)$$

$$= \gamma (r(d_{FS} + \beta_{FS} x_{FS})Q_{BS} - lQ_{BS})$$

$$= \gamma (r(d_{BS} + \beta_{BS} x_{BS})Q_{FS} - lQ_{BS})$$

$$= \gamma (d_{BS} + \beta_{BS} x_{BS}) (rQ_{FS} - lP)$$

$$= (d_{BS} + \beta_{BS} x_{BS})C_{1}^{*}.$$
(17)

5. Security Analysis

This section first presents the security model of DS-CLSPE and then gives the formal proof of DS-CLSPE.

5.1. Security Model. Two types of adversaries should be considered in a certificateless cryptosystem [31, 32].

Type 1. This adversary is denoted as \mathcal{A}_1 , who has no master key but can replace anyone's public key.

Type II. This adversary is denoted as \mathcal{A}_2 , who holds the master key but cannot replace anyone's public key.

As defined in scheme [33], assume that both BS and FS are honest-but-curious, and that they cannot collude. The security model of DS-CLSPE is defined by the following game, i.e., indistinguishability against CKA attack (IND-CKA), which is the interaction between an adversary $\mathcal{A} \in \{\mathcal{A}_1, \mathcal{A}_2\}$ and a challenger \mathcal{C} .

Definition 1 (IND-CKA). The DS-CLSPE scheme is said IND-CKA secure if \mathscr{A} is advantage of winning in the following game is negligible.

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Game. This game is interacted between \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{C} .

- (i) Setup: C generates {parm, s} by executing Setup algorithm. If A = A₁, C returns parm to A; otherwise (A = A₂), returns both parm and s
- (ii) *Phase* 1: the following oracles can be queried by \mathcal{A}
 - (a) CreateUser Queries: upon receiving this query for ID_i, C checks whether ID_i has been created. If so, C outputs PK_i directly. Otherwise, C performs the algorithm KeyGen to produce the key pair (PK_i, SK_i) and returns PK_i
 - (b) PrivateKey Queries: upon receiving this query for ID_i, C checks whether ID_i has been created. If so, C returns SK_i; otherwise, returns ⊥
 - (c) PatialPrivateKey Queries: upon receiving this query for ID_i, C checks whether ID_i has been created. If so, C returns partial private key d_i; otherwise, returns ⊥
 - (d) ReplacePublicKey Queries: if A = A₁, then it can perform these queries. Upon receiving A's query for ID_i with a false public key PK^{*}_i, C sets PK_i ← PK^{*}_i
 - (e) Trapdoor Queries: if \mathscr{A} submits this query for (ID_i, w) , then \mathscr{C} returns the corresponding trapdoor T_w if ID_i has been created; otherwise, returns \bot
- (iii) Challenge: \mathscr{A} selects identity ID_{ch} and keywords (w_0, w_1) as challenge targets. \mathscr{C} picks up $\sigma \in \{0, 1\}$ at random and returns $C_{w_{\sigma}} \longleftarrow \text{Encrypt}(\text{parm}, w_{\sigma}, \text{ID}_{\text{ch}}, \text{PK}_{\text{ch}}, \text{PK}_{\text{FS}}, \text{PK}_{\text{BS}})$ to \mathscr{A}
- (iv) *Phase* 2: the oracles defined as in phase 1 can be continuously queried by A
- (v) Guess: A returns σ' ∈ {0, 1}. We say A wins the above game if σ' = σ and below conditions hold:
 (1) Trapdoor queries for w₀ and w₁ have never been submitted by A; (2) If A = A₁, it has never made P rivateKey and PartialPrivateKey queries for ID_{ch}; if A = A₂, it has never made PrivateKey queries for ID_{ch} (note that A₂ can calculate partial private key as it knows master key).

Let $\operatorname{Adv}_{\mathscr{A}}(\lambda) = |\Pr[\sigma' = \sigma] - 1/2|$ express \mathscr{A} 's advantage in the above-defined game.

5.2. Provable Security

Theorem 2. The DS-CLSPE scheme can achieve IND-CKA secure if the CDH problem is difficult to solve. Theorem 2 can be proofed by the two lemmas below.

Lemma 3. Let the advantage of \mathcal{A}_1 winning the IND-CKA game be ε . Then, we can construct an algorithm \mathcal{C} to calculate the CDH problem with advantage

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$$\varepsilon' \ge \frac{\varepsilon}{(q_T + q_{SK} + q_{PSK} + 1)e},\tag{18}$$

where e is Euler number and q_{SK} , q_{PSK} , q_T denote the maximum number of PrivateKey queries, PartialPrivateKey queries, and Trapdoor queries, respectively.

Proof. Let q be a large prime number. Given (P, aP, bP), \mathscr{C} 's goal is to output abP.

- (i) Setup: \mathscr{C} generates the public parameters parm = $\{ \mathbb{G}, P, P_{\text{pub}}, h_0, h_1, h_2, q \}$, here $P_{\text{pub}} = aP$. \mathscr{C} selects $x_{\text{FS}}, x_{\text{BS}}, t_{\text{FS}}, t_{\text{BS}} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$, computes $P_{\text{FS}} = x_{\text{FS}}P$, $P_{\text{BS}} = x_{\text{BS}}P$, $T_{\text{FS}} = t_{\text{FS}}P$, and $T_{\text{BS}} = t_{\text{BS}}P$, and sets $\text{PK}_{\text{FS}} = (T_{\text{FS}}, P_{\text{FS}})$, $\text{PK}_{\text{BS}} = (T_{\text{BS}}, P_{\text{BS}})$. Finally, \mathscr{C} sends $\{\text{parm}, \text{PK}_{\text{FS}}, \text{PK}_{\text{BS}}\}$ to \mathscr{A}_1
- (ii) *Phase* 1: the following oracles can be queried by \mathcal{A}_1
 - (a) h₀ Queries: a h₀-list with tuples (ID_i, T_i, α_i) is maintained by C. When A₁ performs h₀ query for (ID_i, T_i), C first checks whether (I D_i, T_i, α_i) is already in h₀-list. If so, C returns α_i; otherwise, C selects α_i ∈ Z^a_q at random, adds (ID_i, T_i, α_i) into h₀-list, and returns α_i
 - (b) h₁ Queries: C maintains a h₁-list with tuples (ID_i, T_i, P_i, β_i). Upon receiving A₁'s query for (ID_i, T_i, P_i), C searches (ID_i, T_i, P_i, β_i) from h₁-list. If h₁-list already contains the searched tuple, C outputs β_i directly; otherwise, C chooses β_i ∈ Z_q^{*} at random, adds (ID_i, T_i, P_i, β_i) into h₁-list, and returns β_i
 - (c) h_2 Queries: \mathscr{C} maintains a h_2 -list with tuples $(w_i, \mathrm{ID}_i, h_{2i})$. Upon receiving this query for (w_i, ID_i) , \mathscr{C} searches $(w_i, \mathrm{ID}_i, h_{2i})$ from h_2 -list and returns h_{2i} directly if $(w_i, \mathrm{ID}_i, h_{2i})$ already exists in h_2 -list; otherwise, \mathscr{C} selects $h_{2i} \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$ at random, adds $(w_i, \mathrm{ID}_i, h_{2i})$ into h_2 -list, and returns h_{2i}
 - (d) CreateUser Queries: C maintains a user-list with tuples (ID_i, PK_i, SK_i, t_i, x_i, coin_i). Upon receiving A₁'s query for ID_i, C searches user-list for (ID_i, PK_i, SK_i, t_i, x_i, coin_i). C outputs PK_i directly if user-list already includes the searched tuple; otherwise, C tosses a coin_i ∈ {0, 1} at random such that Pr [coin_i = 1] = δ (δ will be computed later) and executes the following steps
 - (1) If $coin_i = 1$, \mathscr{C} selects two random numbers t_i , x_i from \mathbb{Z}_q^* , sets $PK_i = (T_i, P_i)$, where $T_i = t_i P$, $P_i = x_i P$. \mathscr{C} adds (ID_i, PK_i,⊥, t_i , x_i , 1) into user-list and returns PK_i
 - (2) Otherwise $(coin_i = 0)$, \mathscr{C} selects three numbers x_i, d_i, α_i from \mathbb{Z}_a^* , sets $SK_i = (d_i, x_i)$

and $PK_i = (T_i, P_i)$, where $T_i = d_i P - \alpha_i P_{pub}$, $P_i = x_i P$. \mathscr{C} adds $(ID_i, PK_i, SK_i, \bot, \bot, 0)$ into user-list, adds (ID_i, T_i, α_i) into h_0 -list, and returns PK_i

- (e) PrivateKey Queries: when A₁ submits this query for ID_i, C searches (ID_i, PK_i, SK_i, t_i, x_i, coin_i) from user-list. If coin_i = 0, C outputs SK_i; otherwise, C aborts the game (this event is denoted as Event₁).
- (f) PartialPrivateKey Queries: when A₁ submits this query for ID_i, C searches (ID_i, PK_i, SK_i, t_i, x_i, coin_i) from user-list. If coin_i = 0, C outputs the first part of SK_i, i.e., d_i; otherwise, C aborts the game (this event is denoted as Event₂).
- (g) ReplacePublicKey Queries: when A₁ submits this query with a value PK^{*}_i, C replaces PK_i with PK^{*}_i. Note that this query implies A₁ must also submit the corresponding private key SK^{*}_i
- (h) *Trapdoor Queries*: when \mathscr{A}_1 submits this query for (w, ID_i) , \mathscr{C} searches $(\mathrm{ID}_i, \mathrm{PK}_i, \mathrm{SK}_i, t_i, x_i, \mathrm{coi}$ $n_i)$ from user-list and recovers $(\mathrm{ID}_i, T_i, P_i, \beta_i)$ and $(w_i, \mathrm{ID}_i, h_{2i})$ from h_1 -list and h_2 -list, respectively. If $\mathrm{coin}_i = 0$, \mathscr{C} chooses $l \in \mathbb{Z}_q^*$ and computes $T_w^1 = lP$, $T_w^2 = (d_i + \beta_i x_i)h_{2i}Q_{\mathrm{FS}} + lQ_{\mathrm{BS}}$, where Q_{FS} and Q_{BS} are computed as in the proposed scheme. \mathscr{C} returns $T_w = (T_w^1, T_w^2)$. Otherwise, \mathscr{C} aborts the game (this event is denoted as Event₃).
- (iii) Challenge: \mathscr{A}_1 outputs ID_{ch} and (w_0, w_1) . \mathscr{C} recovers $(\mathrm{ID}_{ch}, \mathrm{PK}_{ch}, \mathrm{SK}_{ch}, t_{ch}, x_{ch}, \mathrm{coin}_{ch})$ and $(\mathrm{ID}_{ch}, T_{ch}, P_{ch}, \beta_{ch})$ from user-list and h_1 -list, respectively. If $\mathrm{coin}_{ch} = 1$, \mathscr{C} randomly selects $\sigma \in \{0, 1\}$, $C^2_{w_\sigma} \in \mathbb{G}$, recovers $(w_\sigma, \mathrm{ID}_{ch}, h_{2\sigma})$ from h_2 -list, sets $C^1_{w_\sigma} = bP$, and returns $C_{w_\sigma} = (C^1_{w_\sigma}, C^2_{w_\sigma})$ to \mathscr{A}_1 . Otherwise, \mathscr{C} ends the game (this event is denoted as Event_4).

Note that $C_{w_{\sigma}}^{2}$ is implicitly defined as $bQ_{FS} + bQ_{BS}$ + $h_{2\sigma}Q_{ch} = b(T_{FS} + \beta_{FS}P_{FS} + \alpha_{FS}P_{pub}) + b(T_{BS} + \beta_{BS}P_{BS} + \alpha_{BS}P_{pub}) + h_{2\sigma}(T_{ch} + \beta_{ch}P_{ch} + \alpha_{ch}P_{pub}).$

- (iv) Phase 2: The oracles defined in phase1 can be asked continuously by \mathcal{A}_1
- (v) *Guess*: \mathscr{A}_1 outputs σ' . If $\sigma' = \sigma$, then \mathscr{C} wins in the above game

At this point, \mathscr{C} can compute the value abP as follows: $Z = (\alpha_{FS} + \alpha_{BS})^{-1} (C_{w_{\sigma}}^{2} - h_{2\sigma}(T_{ch} + \beta_{ch}P_{ch} + \alpha_{ch}P_{pub}) - (t_{FS} + t_{BS} + \beta_{FS}x_{FS} + \beta_{BS}x_{BS})bP) = abP.$

Analysis. The advantage of \mathscr{C} winning the game is analyzed below. \mathscr{C} wins in above game if none of the events Event_i (*i* = 1, 2, 3, 4) occur.

From the above proof of Lemma 3,

$$\Pr\left[\overline{\text{Event}_1} \land \overline{\text{Event}_2} \land \overline{\text{Event}_3} \land \overline{\text{Event}_4}\right] = \delta(1-\delta)^{q_{\text{SK}}+q_{\text{PSK}}+q_T},$$
(19)

when $\delta = 1/(q_{SK} + q_{PSK} + q_T + 1)$, this value is at its maximum value

$$\Pr\left[\overline{\operatorname{Event}_{1}} \wedge \overline{\operatorname{Event}_{2}} \wedge \overline{\operatorname{Event}_{3}} \wedge \overline{\operatorname{Event}_{4}}\right]$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{q_{\mathrm{SK}} + q_{\mathrm{PSK}} + q_{T} + 1}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{q_{\mathrm{SK}} + q_{\mathrm{PSK}} + q_{T} + 1}\right)^{q_{\mathrm{SK}} + q_{\mathrm{PSK}} + q_{T}}$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{(q_{T} + q_{\mathrm{SK}} + q_{\mathrm{PSK}} + 1)e}.$$
(20)

Thus,

$$\varepsilon' \ge \varepsilon \cdot \Pr\left[\overline{\operatorname{Event}_1} \wedge \overline{\operatorname{Event}_2} \wedge \overline{\operatorname{Event}_3} \wedge \overline{\operatorname{Event}_4}\right] = \frac{\varepsilon}{(q_T + q_{\mathrm{SK}} + q_{\mathrm{PSK}} + 1)e}.$$
(21)

Lemma 4. Let ε denote the advantage of \mathcal{A}_2 winning in IND-CKA game. Then, the algorithm \mathcal{C} can be constructed to solve the CDH problem with advantage

$$\varepsilon' \ge \frac{\varepsilon}{(q_{SK} + q_T + 1)e},\tag{22}$$

where e, q_{SK} , and q_T are defined as Lemma 3.

Proof. Given a CDH instance, i.e., (P, aP, bP), \mathscr{C} will try to output abP.

- (i) Setup: C selects s ∈ Z_q^{*}, calculates P_{pub} = sP and generates parm = {q, G, P, P_{pub}, h₀, h₁, h₂}. Then, C selects x_{FS}, x_{BS}, t_{FS}, and t_{BS} ∈ Z_q^{*}, sets P_{FS} = x_{FS}P, P_{BS} = x_{BS}P, T_{FS} = t_{FS}aP, and T_{BS} = t_{BS}aP, and lets P K_{FS} = (T_{FS}, P_{FS}) and PK_{BS} = (T_{BS}, P_{BS}). Finally, C sends {parm, s, PK_{FS}, PK_{BS}} to Z₂
- (ii) *Phase*1: the following oracles can be queried by \mathcal{A}_2
 - (a) h₀, h₁, h₂ Queries: when A₂ submits these oracle queries, C responds as defined in Lemma 3
 - (b) CreateUser Queries: C maintains a user-list with (ID_i, PK_i, SK_i, t_i, x_i, coin_i). Upon receiving this query for ID_i, C searches (ID_i, PK_i, SK_i, t_i, x_i, coin_i) from user-list. If this tuple is already in user-list, C returns PK_i; otherwise, C tosses coi n_i ∈ {0, 1} randomly such that Pr [coin_i = 1] = δ (δ will be computed later) and executes the following steps
 - (1) If $coin_i = 1$, \mathscr{C} selects t_i , x_i from \mathbb{Z}_q^* , computes $T_i = t_i aP$, $P_i = x_i P$, and sets P $K_i = (T_i, P_i)$. \mathscr{C} adds $(ID_i, PK_i, \bot, \bot, x_i, 1)$ into user-list and returns PK_i

TABLE 1: Notions for some basic operations.

Symbols	Definition				
T _{sm}	Runtime for a scalar multiplication in $\mathbb G$				
$T_{\rm mm}$	Runtime for a modular multiplication in \mathbb{Z}_q^*				
$T_{\rm bp}$	Runtime for a bilinear pairing				
$T_{\rm pa}$	Runtime for a point addition in $\mathbb G$				
T_H	Runtime for a map-to-point hash				
$ \mathbb{G} $	The bit-size of a point in $\mathbb G$				
$ \mathbb{Z}_q $	The bit-size of a number in \mathbb{Z}_q				
PK	The bit-size of <i>PK</i>				
C	The bit-size of ciphertext				
T	The bit-size of trapdoor				

- (2) Otherwise, \mathscr{C} selects x_i , t_i , α_i from \mathbb{Z}_q^* at random, computes $d_i = t_i + s\alpha_i \mod q$, $T_i = t_i P$, $P_i = x_i P$, and sets $SK_i = (d_i, x_i)$, $PK_i = (T_i, P_i)$. \mathscr{C} adds (ID_i, PK_i, SK_i,⊥,⊥,0) into user -list, adds (ID_i, T_i , α_i) into h_0 -list, and returns PK_i
- (c) PrivateKey Queries: Upon receiving this query for ID_i, & searches user-list to find (ID_i, PK_i, S K_i, t_i, x_i, coin_i). If coin_i = 0, & outputs SK_i; otherwise, & aborts the game (this event is denoted as Event₁)
- (d) *Trapdoor Queries*: when A₂ submits the query for (w, ID_i), C searches (ID_i, PK_i, SK_i, t_i, x_i, coi n_i) from user-list and recovers (ID_i, T_i, P_i, β_i) and (w_i, ID_i, h_{2i}) from h₁-list and h₂-list, respectively. If coin_i = 0, C chooses l ∈ Z_q^{*}, computes T¹_w = lP, T²_w = (d_i + β_ix_i)h_{2i}Q_{FS} + lQ_{BS}, and returns T_w = (T¹_w, T²_w) to A₂, where Q_{FS} and Q_{BS} are computed as in the proposed scheme; otherwise, C aborts the game (this event is denoted as Event₂)
- (iii) Challenge: \mathscr{A}_2 outputs ID_{ch} and (w_0, w_1) . \mathscr{C} recovers $(ID_{ch}, PK_{ch}, SK_{ch}, t_{ch}, x_{ch}, \operatorname{coin}_{ch})$ from user-list. If $\operatorname{coin}_{ch} = 1$, \mathscr{C} randomly selects $\sigma \in \{0, 1\}$, $C^2_{w_{\sigma}} \in \mathbb{G}$ and recovers $(w_{\sigma}, ID_{ch}, h_{2\sigma})$ from h_2 -list. \mathscr{C} sets $C^1_{w_{\sigma}}$ = bP and returns $C_{w_{\sigma}} = (C^1_{w_{\sigma}}, C^2_{w_{\sigma}})$ to \mathscr{A}_2 . Otherwise, \mathscr{C} aborts the game (this event is denoted as Event₃)

Note that $C_{w_{\sigma}}^2$ is implicitly defined as $bQ_{FS} + bQ_{BS} + h_{2\sigma}$ $Q_{ch} = b(T_{FS} + \beta_{FS}P_{FS} + \alpha_{FS}P_{pub}) + b(T_{BS} + \beta_{BS}P_{BS} + \alpha_{BS}P_{pub})$ $+ h_{2\sigma}(T_{ch} + \beta_{ch}P_{ch} + \alpha_{ch}P_{pub}).$

- (iv) Phase2: the oracles defined in phase 1 can be continuously accessed by \mathcal{A}_2
- (v) Guess: \mathscr{A}_2 returns σ' . If $\sigma' = \sigma$, then \mathscr{C} wins in the game

TABLE 2: The performance comparison.

Schemes	Computation cost (ms)					Communication cost (bit)		
	KeyGen	Encrypt	Trapdoor	Test	PK	C	T	
Lu and Li [21]	$2T_{\rm sm} + T_{\rm mm}$	$3T_{\rm sm} + T_{\rm mm}$	$T_{\rm mm}$	$T_{\rm sm}$	$2 \mathbb{G} $	$ \mathbb{G} + \mathbb{Z}_q $	$ \mathbb{Z}_q $	
Peng et al. [18]	$8T_{\rm sm} + 2T_H$	$4T_{\rm sm} + 3T_H + 3T_{\rm bp}$	$3T_{\rm sm} + T_H$	$T_{\rm sm} + 2T_{\rm pa} + T_{\rm bp}$	$4 \mathbb{G} $	$ \mathbb{G} + \mathbb{Z}_q $	$3 \mathbb{G} $	
DS-CLSPE	$6T_{\rm sm}$	$10T_{\rm sm} + 8T_{\rm pa}$	$3T_{\rm sm} + T_{\rm pa}$	$4T_{\rm sm} + 3T_{\rm pa}$	$6 \mathbb{G} $	$2 \mathbb{G} $	$2 \mathbb{G} $	

At this point, \mathscr{C} can compute abP as below: $Z = (t_{\text{FS}} + t_{\text{BS}})^{-1} \cdot (C_{w_{\sigma}}^2 - h_{2\sigma}(T_{\text{ch}} + \beta_{\text{ch}}P_{\text{ch}} + \alpha_{\text{ch}}P_{\text{pub}}) - (\beta_{\text{FS}}x_{\text{FS}} + \beta_{\text{BS}}x_{\text{BS}} + \alpha_{\text{FS}}s + \alpha_{\text{BS}}s)bP) = abP.$

Analysis. Now let us analyze \mathscr{C} 's advantage in winning the above game. \mathscr{C} will win the game if Event₁, Event₂, and Event₃ do not occur.

From the above proof of Lemma 4,

$$\Pr\left[\overline{\operatorname{Event}_{1}} \wedge \overline{\operatorname{Event}_{2}} \wedge \overline{\operatorname{Event}_{3}}\right] = \delta \cdot (1 - \delta)^{q_{\mathrm{SK}} + q_{T}}, \quad (23)$$

when $\delta = 1/(q_{SK} + q_T + 1)$, $\Pr[\overline{\text{Event}_1} \land \overline{\text{Event}_2} \land \overline{\text{Event}_3}]$ takes its maximum value

$$\Pr\left[\overline{\operatorname{Event}_{1}} \wedge \overline{\operatorname{Event}_{2}} \wedge \overline{\operatorname{Event}_{3}}\right]$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{q_{\mathrm{SK}} + q_{T} + 1}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{q_{\mathrm{SK}} + q_{T} + 1}\right)^{q_{\mathrm{SK}} + q_{T}}$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{(q_{\mathrm{SK}} + q_{T} + 1)e}.$$
(24)

Then, we have

$$\varepsilon' \ge \varepsilon \cdot \Pr\left[\overline{\operatorname{Event}_1} \land \overline{\operatorname{Event}_2} \land \overline{\operatorname{Event}_3}\right] = \frac{\varepsilon}{(q_{\mathrm{SK}} + q_T + 1)e}.$$
(25)

6. Performance Analysis

This section mainly compares the computation/communication costs of DS-CLSPE with that of Lu and Li [21] and Peng et al. [18]. Let p, q be 512-bit and 160-bit prime numbers, respectively. \mathbb{G} is a cyclic group with order q, which is generated by a point on a super-singular elliptic curve $E(F_p)$. For the convenience of comparison, Table 1 presents the definition of some symbols.

We evaluate the running time of the above basic operations using the MIRACL library [34] and performing on a personal computer (Processor: i5-8250U 1.60 GHz; Memory: 8 GB; Operating system: Win10). The evaluation result shows that $T_{\rm sm} = 4.800$ ms, $T_{\rm mm} = 0.003$ ms, $T_{\rm bp} = 13.144$ ms, $T_H = 12.082$ ms, $T_{\rm pa} = 0.025$ ms. Furthermore, the result indicates that the operations of T_H and $T_{\rm bp}$ consume much more time than other operations. Therefore, we should minimize or even avoid using these time-consuming operations to enhance the efficiency of the designed scheme.



FIGURE 3: Computation cost comparison.

To compare the computation costs, we analyze the proposed DS-CLSPE scheme and schemes [18, 21] in terms of four phases: *KenGen*, *Encrypt*, *Trapdoor*, and *Test*. Table 2 and Figure 3 present the specific comparison results. In addition, the communication costs of DS-CLSPE and schemes [18, 21] are also presented in Table 2.

From Table 2 and Figure 3, the efficiency of DS-CLSPE is slightly worse than the scheme [21], but DS-CLSPE avoids the security flaws that existed in the scheme [21]. The data security is a primary concern in practical application, so DS-CLSPE is more practical. And in comparison with scheme [18], DS-CLSPE has better performance.

7. Conclusion

As the maturity of IoT and the popularization of sensor devices, IIoT has attracted widespread attention, which can provide users with real-time and reliable intelligent services by collecting and analyzing massive industrial data via the IoT devices. However, some sensitive information may be involved in industrial data, so data security is concerned. To protect data privacy, Lu et al. designed a CLSPE scheme without bilinear pairing operation. Unfortunately, we analyze that their CLSPE scheme cannot prevent user impersonation attacks. To resolve the security flaws, we design an improved pairing-free dual-server CLSPE scheme, i.e., DS-CLSPE. The formal security proof shows that DS-CLSPE can realize IND-CKA security. Additionally, we evaluate the efficiency of DS-CLSPE, and evaluation results indicate the proposed scheme has better efficiency.

Data Availability

The data used to support the findings of this study are available from the corresponding author upon request.

Conflicts of Interest

The authors declare that they have no conflicts of interest.

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