

# Lattice Based Group Key Exchange Protocol in the Standard Model

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**Abstract.** Group key exchange schemes allow group members to agree on a session key. Although there are many works on constructing group key exchange schemes, but most of them are based on algebraic problems which can be solved by quantum algorithms in polynomial time. Even if several works considered lattice based group key exchange schemes, believed to be post-quantum secure, but only in the random oracle model.

In this work, we propose a group key exchange scheme based on ring learning with errors problem. On contrast to existing schemes, our scheme is proved to be secure in the standard model. To achieve this, we define and instantiate multi-party key reconciliation mechanism. Furthermore, using known compiler with lattice based signature schemes, we can achieve authenticated group key exchange with post-quantum security.

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## 1 Introduction

Cryptographic key exchange protocols can establish a “secure channel” among the participants, connected by insecure communication networks, by enabling them agree on a session key. Through this channel, participants can transmit sensitive data or apply other higher-level cryptographic schemes. The confidentiality of this channel usually can be reduced to the security of the cryptographic protocols.

Since Diffie-Hellman’s two party key exchange protocol [13], the work of [22, 24] are focus on designing two-party protocols based on various hard problems and improving their efficiency. There are many works [4, 8–11] on considering the multi-party scenario. However, aforementioned protocols’s security are based on classically hard problems which can be solved in polynomial time by quantum algorithms [29].

Since the quantum resistance of lattice problems, especially the hardness of LWE problems [7, 23, 25, 27, 28], most of the recent works [1, 6, 14, 18, 19, 26, 30]

mainly focus on designing and improving the quality of lattice based two party protocols. On the other hand, only a few works [2, 14] focus on designing lattice based group key exchange( GKE) protocols, but they have their own drawbacks as we show next.

The work of [14] is the first try of constructing lattice based key exchange scheme, but it is lack of standard security proof. Even if the work of [2] proposed a constant round GKE protocols base on plain LWE problem. But, their protocols only proven secure in the random oracle model [3], which usually replaced by cryptographic hash functions in a real world applications. But there exist cryptographic schemes that are secure in the Random Oracle Model, but for which any implementation yields insecure schemes [12]. Therefore, security in the standard model is more plausible for the cryptographic schemes. To our knowledge, designing and modular analyzing of a group key exchange protocols in the standard model are not considered yet. Even if a GKE scheme can be obtained by a two-party key exchange scheme, but this approach believed to be very impractical, hence we consider the direct construction.

### 1.1 Our Contributions

In this work, we analyze and construct a multi-party group key exchange protocol. As shown in the work of [18], the key reconciliation mechanism( KRM) is necessary for a LWE based key exchange protocols. Therefore, we first introduce the concept of multi-party KRM and show it's concrete instantiation. Our definition of the multi-party KRM can be regarded as the generalization of the two-party KRM [14, 19, 26]. In a multi-party key reconciliation mechanism, each party should own predetermined informations to ensure that each party have a same element after running the multi-party KRM. Its not hard to see that multi-party KRM is not enough to get a group key exchange protocol because the correctness of KRM need the pre-determined value( input to the KRM) satisfy some proper constraints. Therefore, this is why we need other additional tools to get GKE. For the security, we require that KRM's output should random even if the transactions are exposed.

To instantiate, we designe a new multi-party key reconciliation mechanism. Compared to a naive generalization of the two-party case [14], our instantiation can be applied to both for odd and even modulus. Meanwhile, the previous key reconciliation mechanism of [14] only fits for the odd modulus. Furthermore, our design is as efficient as [14] in the two-party settings. Roughly, we have following result.

**Theorem 1.1 (informal)** *For the integers  $p, q, g$  such that  $p < q$ ,  $q > p(g + 1)$  and  $\gcd(q, g) = 1$ , there exist a multi-party KRM that is secure and correct.*

Additionally, we introduce a weaker version of GKE. In contrast to GKE, a weak GKE only enables the participants to agree on some approximately the same

element. Obviously, any GKE protocol is also a weak GKE, but the reverse is not the case. Therefore, constructing this weak definition of GKE at most as hard as constructing a general GKE.

The correctness of a weak GKE is similar to the case of GKE except the final output of a weak GKE should belong to some range with overwhelming probability. But the security of weak GKE is a crux. In a GKE protocol, there is no difference between the following two cases: (1) the adversary is given one key of the parties, and (2) the adversary is given all parties's keys. This is the case in a GKE, since the correctness of GKE guarantees that all parties's keys are equal. But this is not the case in the weak GKE. Because in a weak GKE, the participants will obtain an approximately the same keys. However, we define passive security of weak GKE and present our instantiation of weak GKE for sake of such weak GKE's existence.

Finally, we construct a GKE in the standard model. Roughly speaking, we show that a secure multi-party KRM and a secure weak GKE implies passively secure GKE. Intuitively, the weak GKE ensures that each party have approximately the same element, and then applying the multi-party KRM, each party will agree on a same session key. The correctness of corresponding GKE can be reduced to the correctness of the KRM and the weak GKE. The security analysis is more subtle, and we elaborate it in section 5. Additionally, combining the previous instantiations, we show the instantiation of the GKE.

## 1.2 Related Works and Comparison

There are sequence of works [1, 6, 14, 19, 26, 30] are working on designing and improving the two-party KRM and authenticated key exchange schemes from lattices.

Even if the works of [14, 19, 26] designed KRM, but they only focused on two-party case. Our KRM design is applicable for both two party and multi-party case. Variants of above designs are submitted to the NIST post-quantum cryptography competition. But they mainly focused on designing KEMs, and then designed two-party key exchange protocols through this KEMs. Obviously, this approach seem to be more centralized and heavily rely on one party. Hence we didn't consider this research line in designing multi-party case.

Apon et.al [2] proposed constant round lattice based GKE, but their scheme only proven secure in the random oracle model. In contrast, our GKE protocol is proven secure in standard model which is a more plausible security for a cryptographic scheme.

**Organizations** In section 2 we present basic notations, definitions and some useful results from literatures. In section 3 we introduce multi-party KRM and its concrete instantiation. We define and instantiate a weaker version of group key exchange protocol in section 4. finally we construct a secure group key exchange protocol in the standard model.

## 2 Preliminaries

**Notations** For a real  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , denote the largest integer which smaller than  $x$  by  $\lfloor x \rfloor$ . For any natural integer  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the symbol  $[n]$  denotes the index set  $\{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}$ . For any positive integer  $q$ , let  $\mathbb{Z}_q$  be the cyclic group  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, q-1\}$  with addition modulo  $q$ . For any reals  $a, b, c$  such that  $a \leq b$ , the shifted set  $c + (a, b)$  denotes the interval  $(a + c, b + c)$ . We abuse the notions for the half closed and closed intervals in  $\mathbb{Z}_q$  in a similar way. For any two elements  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}_q$ , we let  $|x - y|$  be the value of  $\min_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} |x - y + kq|$ . Vectors are denoted with bold lower-case letters (e.g.,  $\mathbf{a}$ ). For any set  $S$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the set of  $n$ -dimensional vectors with entries in  $S$  is denoted by  $S^n$ , and the set of  $n$ -by- $m$  matrices with entries in  $S$  is denoted by  $S^{n \times m}$ . For any probability distribution  $\chi$  with probability space  $\Omega$ , the notion  $x \stackrel{\chi}{\leftarrow} \Omega$  mean that  $x$  is sampled from  $\Omega$  according to  $\chi$ . If the probability space is clear from the context, we simplify the notion as  $x \leftarrow \chi$ . If  $\chi$  is uniform distribution, we omit it for the sake of simplicity, e.g.,  $x \leftarrow \Omega$ . We say a function  $\epsilon(\lambda)$  is negligible if  $\frac{1}{\epsilon(\lambda)}$  is larger than all polynomial  $\text{poly}(\lambda)$  from some point  $\lambda_0$ .

### 2.1 Group Key Exchange Protocol

In this section, we recall the concepts relevant to group key exchange and key reconciliation mechanisms.

**GKE:** A Group key exchange protocol enables the participated parties agree on a random session key. During the process, participants may run different scripts, but after all interaction and calculation processes, they will agree on a same session key. The security of GKE require that the agreed session key is indistinguishable from an equal-length random string. Here we recall the definition, correctness, and security of GKE as follow:

**Definition 2.1** *A Group key exchange protocol GKE consists of three algorithms (GKE.Setup, Interact, KeyGen) as follow:*

- $\text{GKE.Setup}(1^\lambda, 1^N) \rightarrow \text{pp}$  : On input the security parameter  $\lambda$  and number of participants  $N$ , it outputs a general public parameter  $\text{pp}$ .
- $\text{Interact}(P_i, \text{pp})_{i \in [N]} \rightarrow \{\text{trans}_i, \text{st}_i\}_{i \in [N]}$  : After receiving the public parameter  $\text{pp}$ , each party  $P_i$  run its own script which calculate, receive, and broadcast data transmitted through public tunnel. Use  $\text{trans}_i$  to denote the data sets received and sent by  $P_i$ , and denote the after all state of  $P_i$  by  $\text{st}_i$ .
- $\text{KeyGen}(\text{pp}, P_i, \{\text{trans}_i, \text{st}_i\})_{i \in [N]} = \{K_i\}_{i \in [N]}$  : On input public parameter  $\text{pp}$ , transaction  $\text{trans}_i$ , party  $P_i$  computes its own session key  $K_i$ .

**Definition 2.2 (Correctness.)** We say a GKE is correct if for some random string  $K$ , the probability

$$\Pr \left[ \bigwedge_{i \in [N]} K_i = K \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{pp} \leftarrow \text{GKE.Setup}(1^\lambda, 1^N) \\ \{\text{trans}_i, \text{st}_i\}_{i \in [N]} \leftarrow \text{Interact}(P_i, \text{pp})_{i \in [N]} \\ \{K_i\}_{i \in [N]} := \text{KeyGen}(\text{pp}, P_i, \{\text{trans}_i, \text{st}_i\})_{i \in [N]} \end{array} \right]$$

is  $\text{negl}(\lambda)$ , where probability is taken over the randomness of KeyGen algorithm and randomness of Interact algorithm.

For a probabilistic polynomial time algorithm  $\mathcal{A}$  and key space  $\mathcal{K}$  of GKE, we define the advantage of  $\mathcal{A}$  against GKE, denoted  $\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}}^{\text{GKE}}$ , as

$$\Pr \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{pp} \leftarrow \text{GKE.Setup}(1^\lambda, 1^N) \\ \{\text{trans}_i, \text{st}_i\}_{i \in [N]} \leftarrow \text{Interact}(P_i, \text{pp})_{i \in [N]} \\ \{K_i\}_{i \in [N]} := \text{KeyGen}(\text{pp}, P_i, \{\text{trans}_i, \text{st}_i\})_{i \in [N]} \\ b \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}, \text{ if } b = 0, K^* \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{K}, \text{ else } K^* := K_0 \\ b' \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(\{\text{trans}_i\}_{i \in [N]}, \text{pp}, K^*) \end{array} \right] - \frac{1}{2},$$

where the probability is taken over the randomness of KeyGen algorithm, randomness of Interact algorithm and random coin toss of  $b$ . we define the eavesdropper (passive) security of a GKE as follows.

**Definition 2.3 (Security.)** We say protocol GKE is passively secure if the advantage  $\text{Adv}$  of any PPT algorithm  $\mathcal{A}$  (eavesdropper) is negligible in the security parameter  $\lambda$ , i.e.,  $\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}}^{\text{GKE}}(\lambda) \leq \text{negl}(\lambda)$ .

If a GKE protocol remain secure in a case where the adversary capable of completely controlling over all the communications in the network, We say GKE is adaptively secure. Fortunately, there is a compiler [21] transforms a passively secure GKE into an adaptive one. Note that this compiler need a secure signature scheme. Fortunately, there are lattice based signature schemes [15–17] which are strongly unforgeable under adaptive chosen message attack (EUF-CMA), and it's enough for the compiler. In other words, if there is a lattice based GKE, then we have a lattice based authenticated GKE. Hence in this work, we mainly focus on constructing GKE.

## 2.2 Gaussians and Ring LWE

Here, we recall definitions and some useful results of gaussian distributions and ring Learning With Errors (LWE) problems.

**Lattice and Gaussian.** A  $n$ -dimensional lattice  $L$  is the discrete subgroup of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . A lattice can be generated by  $n$  linearly independent basis  $B = \{\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n\}$  as  $L = L(\mathbf{B}) := \{\sum_{i=1}^n k_i \mathbf{b}_i \mid k_i \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ . For a real  $s > 0$ , the gaussian distribution function on a real  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  is defined as  $\rho_s(x) = e^{-\pi \frac{x^2}{s^2}}$ . For a positive matrix  $\Sigma$ , we extend

the definition over a  $n$ -dimensional vector  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  by letting  $\rho_\Sigma(\mathbf{x}) = e^{-\pi\|\mathbf{x}\Sigma\mathbf{x}\|^2}$ . For a probability distribution  $\rho$  and a  $S$  subset of  $\rho$ 's support, we let  $\rho(S) := \sum_{x \in S} \rho(x)$ . For a natural number  $n$  and a discrete set  $S \subset \mathbb{Z}^n$ , the discrete gaussian distribution  $D_s : S^n \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is defined as  $D_{S,s}(\mathbf{x}) := \frac{\rho_s(\mathbf{x})}{\rho_s(S^n)}$ . For a polynomial  $\mathbf{a} = \sum_{i \in [n]} a_i x^i$ , we say  $\mathbf{a}$  is sampled from  $D_{\mathbb{Z},s}^{\text{Coeffs}}$ , if the coefficient vector  $\mathbf{a} = (a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{n-1})$  is sampled from  $D_{\mathbb{Z},s}$ .

**ring-LWE.** Before recalling the definitions of ring LWE, we first define the rings that we work on in this paper. One thing need to be noticed that our construction of GKE and instantiation of key reconciliation mechanisms are independent of concrete instantiations. The reason of using ring LWE is because of its compactness and commutativity. One can instantiate the scheme with plain LWE or any version of learning with rounding problems following the constraints of GKE.

Let  $n$  be a power of 2, we define the polynomial ring  $R := \mathbb{Z}[x]/(x^n + 1)$  and let  $R_q$  be the quotient  $R/qR$  for some positive integer  $q$ . For a  $s \in R_q$  and gaussian parameter  $s$ , we say a pair  $(a, b)$  is sampled from the  $R$ -LWE distribution, denoted  $A_{n,q,s}$ , if  $a$  is uniformly sampled from  $R_q$  and  $b = as + e$  for some error term  $e$  sampled from  $D_{\mathbb{Z},s}^{\text{Coeffs}}$ . The goal of  $R$ -LWE problem is to distinguish the samples of  $A_{n,q,s}$  from the same number of samples of  $\mathcal{U}(R_q) \times \mathcal{U}(R_q)$ .

**Definition 2.4 (ring-LWE)** For any positive integers  $n, q$  and gaussian parameter  $s$ , we say  $R$ -LWE $_{n,k,q,s}$  is hard if for all PPT adversary  $\mathcal{A}$ , the following holds :

$$\Pr \left[ b' = b \left| \begin{array}{l} b \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}; \\ \text{if } b = 1, (a_i, b_i)_{i \in [k]} \leftarrow A_{n,q,s}^k; \\ \text{else } , (a_i, b_i)_{i \in [k]} \xleftarrow{\$} R_q^k \times R_q^k; \\ b' \leftarrow \mathcal{A}((a_i, b_i)_{i \in [k]}); \end{array} \right. - \frac{1}{2} \leq \text{negl}(\lambda), \right]$$

where the probability is over the randomness of all the coin tosses.

**Theorem 2.5** [20] Let  $\alpha$  be a positive real,  $m$  be a power of 2,  $l$  be an integer,  $\Phi_m(X) = X^n + 1$  be the  $m$ -th cyclotomic polynomial where  $m = 2n$ , and  $R = \mathbb{Z}[X]/(\Phi_m(X))$ . Let  $q \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$  be a (polynomial size) prime such that there is another prime  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{m}$  satisfying  $p \leq q \leq 2p$ . Let also  $\alpha q \geq n^{1.5} k^{0.25} \omega(\log^{2.25}(n))$ . Then, there is a probabilistic polynomial-time quantum reduction from  $O(n/\alpha)$ -approximate SIVP (or SVP) to  $RLWE_{n,k,q,\alpha q}$ .

Above theorem shows that for the parameters satisfying the constraints in above theorem,  $RLWE_{n,k,q,\alpha q}$  problem is hard if assuming the  $O(n/\alpha)$ -approximate SIVP is hard. Furthermore, its believed that SIVP remains hard even if the large scale quantum computers are available. Therefore, it is reasonable to assume that the  $RLWE_{n,k,q,\alpha q}$  based cryptographic schemes are post-quantum.

### 3 Multi-Party Key Reconciliation

#### 3.1 Definition

**KRM:** A key reconciliation mechanism enables participated parties to obtain a key from roughly the same elements. A significant difference between KRM and GKE is that KRM requires all the parties should have some approximately the same elements beforehand. But a GKE not need this requirement at all. Here in what follows, we define the multi-party KRM with its correctness and security.

**Definition 3.1** A  $N$ -party key reconciliation mechanism  $\text{KeyRek}$  consist of tuples  $(\text{KeyRek.Hint}, \text{KeyRek.KeyGen})$ , described as follow:

- $\text{KeyRek.Hint}(b_i)_{i \in [N]} \rightarrow \{h_i\}_{i \in [N]}$  : On input  $b_i$ , each party  $P_i$  for  $i \in [N]$  runs this algorithm to obtain a hint message  $h_i$  and broadcast it to other parties.
- $\text{KeyRek.KeyGen}(b_i, \{h_i\}_{i \in [N]})_{i \in [N]} \rightarrow \{K_i\}_{i \in [N]}$  : On input  $b_i$  and  $\{h_i\}_{i \in [N]}$ , each party  $P_i$  runs this algorithm to obtain a key  $K_i$ .

where the  $b_i$ s are the predetermined approximately same elements.

**Correctness.** For a KRM, we require all the agreed keys are equal except with negligible probability. The formal definition is as follow.

**Definition 3.2** We say multi-party  $\text{KeyRek}$  is correct with respect to  $\beta$  if  $\|b_i - b_j\| \leq \beta$  for all  $i, j \in [N]$  and for some random string  $K$ , the probability

$$\Pr \left[ \bigwedge_{i \in [N]} K_i = K \mid \begin{array}{l} \{h_i\}_{i \in [N]} \leftarrow \text{KeyRek.Hint}(b_i)_{i \in [N]}; \\ \{K_i\}_{i \in [N]} := \text{KeyRek.KeyGen}(b_i, \{h_i\}_{i \in [N]}) \end{array} \right]$$

is at least  $1 - \text{negl}(\lambda)$ , where the probability is taken over the randomness of  $b_i$ .

**Security.** For any PPT algorithm  $\mathcal{A}$  and key space  $\mathcal{K}$  of  $\text{KeyRek}$ , the advantage of  $\mathcal{A}$  against the protocol  $\text{KeyRek}$ , denoted  $\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}}^{\text{KeyRek}}$ , is defined as

$$\Pr \left[ b' = b \mid \begin{array}{l} \{h_i\}_{i \in [N]} \leftarrow \text{KeyRek.Hint}(b_i)_{i \in [N]}; \\ \{K_i\}_{i \in [N]} := \text{KeyRek.KeyGen}(b_i, \{h_i\}_{i \in [N]}); \\ b \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}, \text{ if } b = 0, K^* \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{K}, \text{ else } K^* := K_0; \\ b' \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(\{h_i\}_{i \in [N]}, K^*) \end{array} \right] - \frac{1}{2},$$

where the probability is taken over the randomness of  $b_i$ s and the random coin toss of  $b$ . We say  $\text{KeyRek}$  is secure if the above advantage  $\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}}^{\text{KeyRek}}$  is negligible in the security parameter  $\lambda$ . Note that  $b_i$ s are approximately the same elements, but it's unknown and random to the adversary. A secure  $\text{KeyRek}$  should reveals nothing about  $K_i$  to the adversary except the public message  $h_i$  derived from  $b_i$ .

### 3.2 Instantiation

Here, we instantiate the KRM in Definition 3.1 with more special case in which only one participant's hint message is suffice for all the participants to agree on the same session key. In below, we generalized the KRM of [14]. Our description of  $\text{KeyRek} = (\text{Hint}, \text{KeyGen})$  is as below where we omit the input integers  $q, p, g$  as they are implicitly contained in both algorithms.

**Construction 3.3** For the integers  $q, p, g$  such that  $2 \leq p, p(g+1) < q$  and  $\gcd(q, g) = 1$ , the construction of  $\text{KeyRek} = (\text{Hint}, \text{KeyGen})$  as follows:

$\text{Hint}(K') \rightarrow h$  : On input  $K' \in \mathbb{Z}$ , it runs as follow:

- (1)  $i \xleftarrow{\$} \mathbb{Z} \cap (-\frac{q}{2}, \frac{q}{2}]$
- (2)  $h = \lfloor p - \frac{p}{q}K' + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{p}{q}i \rfloor \pmod{p}$
- (3) Outputs  $h$

$\text{KeyGen}(K, h) = k$  : On input  $K \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $h \in \mathbb{Z}_p$ , it runs:

- (1)  $k = (K + \lfloor h \frac{q}{p} \rfloor \pmod{\pm q}) \pmod{g}$
- (2) Outputs  $k$

For any integer  $x \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we let  $(x \pmod{\pm q})$  be an integer in  $(-\frac{q}{2}, \frac{q}{2}]$ . In what follows, we prove the correctness and security of above  $\text{KeyRek}$ .

**Theorem 3.4** For the integer parameters as in Construction 3.3, if for any  $K', K \in \mathbb{Z}_q$ , there is an integer  $d$  such that  $K - K' = dg$  and  $|dg| \leq q \frac{p-1}{2p} - \frac{g+1}{2}$ , then we have

$$\text{KeyGen}(K', h) = \text{KeyGen}(K, h),$$

where  $h = \text{Hint}(K')$ .

*Proof.* Since  $K = dg + K'$ , we re-write  $\text{KeyGen}(K, h)$  as

$$\begin{aligned} \text{KeyGen}(K, h) &= \text{KeyGen}(K' + dg, h) \\ &= \left( K' + \lfloor h \frac{q}{p} \rfloor + dg \pmod{\pm q} \right) \pmod{g} \\ &= \left( \underbrace{\left( (K' + \lfloor h \frac{q}{p} \rfloor \pmod{\pm q}) + \underbrace{dg}_{\leq |dg|} \right) \pmod{\pm q}}_{\leq \frac{q}{2p} + \frac{g+1}{2} \leq \frac{q}{2} - |dg|} \right) \pmod{g}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $|dg| \leq q \frac{p-1}{2p} - \frac{g+1}{2} < \frac{q}{2}$ , we have  $\frac{q}{2} - |dg| \geq \frac{q}{2p} + \frac{g+1}{2}$ . So if  $|(K' + \lfloor h \frac{q}{p} \rfloor \pmod{\pm q})| \leq \frac{q}{2p} + \frac{g+1}{2}$ , then we can remove the second  $\pmod{\pm q}$  operation from the



representation of  $\text{KeyGen}(K, h)$ . That is to say,  $\text{KeyGen}(K, h)$  can be re-written as

$$\begin{aligned}\text{KeyGen}(K, h) &= \left( K' + \left\lfloor h \frac{q}{p} \right\rfloor \pmod{\pm q} \right) + dg \pmod{g} \\ &= \left( K' + \left\lfloor h \frac{q}{p} \right\rfloor \pmod{\pm q} \right) \pmod{g} \\ &= \text{KeyGen}(K', h)\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, to complete the proof, we need to show:  $|(K' + \lfloor h \frac{q}{p} \rfloor \pmod{\pm q})| \leq \frac{q}{2p} + \frac{q+1}{2}$ .

Replacing the  $h$  in  $(K' + \lfloor h \frac{q}{p} \rfloor \pmod{\pm q})$  with explicit representation of  $h$  in Hint, it's easy to see the following

$$\begin{aligned}& |(K' + \lfloor h \frac{q}{p} \rfloor \pmod{\pm q})| \\ &= |\underbrace{K' + \frac{q}{p}(\lfloor p - \frac{p}{q}K' + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{p}{q}i \rfloor \pmod{p})}_{\in (\kappa \cdot q - \frac{q}{2p} + i, \kappa \cdot q + \frac{q}{2p} + i)} \pmod{\pm q}|,\end{aligned}$$

where  $\kappa$  is some integer. In addition, we have that  $(K' + \lfloor h \frac{q}{p} \rfloor \pmod{\pm q}) \in (\frac{-q}{2p} + i, \frac{q}{2p} + i]$ , and thus  $|(K' + \lfloor h \frac{q}{p} \rfloor \pmod{\pm q})| \leq \frac{q}{2p} + \frac{q+1}{2}$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

The following theorem shows the uniformity of our KeyRek.

**Theorem 3.5** *For the parameters as in Construction 3.3, and a uniform  $K$ , the  $\text{KeyGen}(K, h)$  is uniformly distributed conditioned on  $h = \text{Hint}(K)$ , i.e.,*

$$\Pr_{K \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q} [\text{KeyGen}(K, h) = k | \text{Hint}(K) = h] = \frac{1}{g},$$

where  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_g$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\text{Hint}(K, i)$  be the deterministic version of  $\text{Hint}(K)$  (making the implicit randomness  $i \in \mathbb{Z}_g$  as an explicit input), proving following two statements is suffice to complete the proof.

(1) For any  $i \in \mathbb{Z}_g$ , we have

$$\Pr_{K \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q} [\text{Hint}(K, i) = h] = \frac{|T_h^i|}{q}, \text{ and}$$

$$\Pr_{K \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q} [\text{KeyGen}(K, h) = k \wedge \text{Hint}(K, i) = h] = \frac{|T_{h,k}^i|}{q},$$

where  $T_h^i$  and  $T_{h,k}^i$  are defined as

$$T_h^i := \left( \frac{q}{p}(p-h-\frac{1}{2}) + i, \frac{q}{p}(p-h+\frac{1}{2}) + i \right],$$

$$T_{h,\kappa}^i := \{x \in T_h^i \mid \text{KeyGen}(x, h) = \kappa\}.$$

(2) For any  $i \in \mathbb{Z}_g$  and  $T_h^i, T_{h,\kappa}^i$  defined above, we have

$$T_h^i := \bigcup_{\kappa \in \mathbb{Z}_g} T_{h,\kappa}^i, |T_h^i| = |T_h^0|, \text{ and}$$

$$|T_h^0| = \sum_{\kappa \in \mathbb{Z}_g} |T_{h,\kappa}^i| = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_g} |T_{h,k}^i|.$$

This is the case, since we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr_{K \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q} [\text{KeyGen}(K, h) = k \mid \text{Hint}(K) = h] \\ &= \frac{1}{g} \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_g} \Pr_{K \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q} [\text{KeyGen}(K, h) = k \mid \text{Hint}(K, i) = h] \\ &= \frac{1}{g} \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_g} \frac{\Pr_{K \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q} [\text{KeyGen}(K, h) = k \wedge \text{Hint}(K, i) = h]}{\Pr_{K \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q} [\text{Hint}(K, i) = h]} \\ &= \frac{1}{g} \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_g} \frac{\frac{|T_{h,k}^i|}{q}}{\frac{|T_h^i|}{q}} = \frac{1}{g} \end{aligned}$$

where the first and second equality is by property of probability; the third equality is by statement (1); the last equality is by the statement (2). In what follows, we prove (1) and (2)

Now, we prove (1). We first show  $\Pr_{K \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q} [\text{Hint}(K, i) = h] = \frac{|T_h^i|}{q}$  as follow: From the definition of  $T_h^i$ , it is easy to verify that, for any  $x \in T_h^i$  we have  $\text{Hint}(x, i) = h$ ; Furthermore,  $T_h^i$ s are disjoint and  $\mathbb{Z}_q = \bigcup_{h \in \mathbb{Z}_p} T_h^i$ , and thus for any  $x \notin T_h^i$ , there is some  $h' \neq h$  such that  $x \in T_{h'}^i$  and  $\text{Hint}(x, i) = h' \neq h$ . It is obvious from the definition of  $T_{h,k}^i$  that  $\Pr_{K \leftarrow \mathbb{Z}_q} [\text{KeyGen}(K, h) = k \wedge \text{Hint}(K, i) = h] = \frac{|T_{h,k}^i|}{q}$ .

Next, we prove (2). Since  $\text{KeyGen}$  is deterministic algorithm of  $K$  and  $h$ ,  $T_{h,k}^i$ s are the partitioning of  $T_h^i$ , that is  $T_h^i = \bigcup_{\kappa \in \mathbb{Z}_g} T_{h,\kappa}^i$ . Observing the definition of  $T_h^i$ , it's not hard to find that  $T_h^i$  is the shift of  $T_h^0$  (e.g.,  $T_h^i = T_h^0 + i$ ), and thus  $|T_h^i| = |T_h^0|$ . To show  $\sum_{\kappa \in \mathbb{Z}_g} |T_{h,\kappa}^i| = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_g} |T_{h,k}^i|$ , verifying the existence of a bijection between

$T_{h,k}^i$  and  $T_{h,k-1}^{i-1}$  is suffice. This is the case, because we have  $|T_{h,k}^i| = |T_{h,k-1}^{i-1}|$  in this case, and

$$\sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_g} |T_{h,k}^i| = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_g} |T_{h,k-i}^0| = \sum_{\kappa \in \mathbb{Z}_g} |T_{h,\kappa}^0| = |T_h^0|.$$

Here, we define the map  $f : T_{h,k}^i \longrightarrow T_{h,k-1}^{i-1}$  as  $f(x) = x - 1$  and prove this is a bijective map. We first show that for any  $x \in T_{h,k}^i$ ,  $f(x) \in T_{h,k-1}^{i-1}$ . From the definition of the algorithms **Hint** and **KeyGen**, we have  $\mathbf{Hint}(x-1, i-1) = \mathbf{Hint}(x, i) = h$  and  $\mathbf{KeyGen}(x-1, h) = k-1 \pmod{g}$ , and thus  $f(x) \in T_{h,k-1}^{i-1}$ . It's straight that  $f$  is bijective map. This completes the proof.  $\square$

The following is a multi-party KRM using the Construction3.3 as a building block.

**Construction 3.6** *A  $N$ -party key reconciliation mechanism **KeyRek** is consist of algorithm tuples  $(\mathbf{KeyRek.Hint}, \mathbf{KeyRek.KeyGen})$  as follow:*

- $\mathbf{KeyRek.Hint}(b_i)_{i \in [N]} \rightarrow \{h_i\}_{i \in [N]}$  : On input  $b_0$ , party  $P_0$  computes  $h_0 = \mathbf{Hint}(b_0)$  and broadcast  $h_0$  to other parties, then each party  $P_i$  set  $h_i = h_0$ .
- $\mathbf{KeyRek.KeyGen}(b_i, \{h_i\}_{i \in [N]})_{i \in [N]} \rightarrow \{K_i\}_{i \in [N]}$  : On input  $b_i$  and  $\{h_i\}_{i \in [N]}$ , each party  $P_i$  runs  $\mathbf{KeyGen}(b_i, \{h_i\}_{i \in [N]})$  to obtain a key  $k_i$ .

where the  $b_i$ s are the predetermined approximately same elements.

As described in above Construction3.6, this **KeyRek** is a special case of Definition3.1. In general, we have following result.

**Theorem 3.7** *For the integers  $p, q, g$  such that  $p < q$ ,  $q > p(g+1)$  and  $\gcd(q, g) = 1$ , there exist a multi-party KRM that is secure and correct respect to  $q^{\frac{p-1}{2pg}} - \frac{g+1}{2g}$ .*

*Proof.* The Construction3.6 is the witness to the existence of such multi-party KRM. The security and correctness are simply followed from the Theorem3.5 and the Theorem3.4.  $\square$

## 4 A Weaker Version of GKE

In this section, we define a weak version of GKE, and then we show the RLWE based instantiation.

### 4.1 Weak GKE

The correctness of a GKE protocol guarantees that the participated parties can have the same session key. But, in this section, we degrade the correctness of the GKE protocol, and we call this new degraded protocol as *weak* GKE. More specifically,

at the end of a *weak* GKE, the correctness of the *weak* GKE requires that the participants agree on an approximately the same element rather than an exactly the same element. The definition of a *weak* GKE is identical to the definition GKE( Definition 2.1), and thus we omit the formal definition here. We define the correctness of a *weak* GKE protocol as follows.

**Definition 4.1 (Correctness.)** For a real  $\gamma > 0$ , we say a weak-GKE is correct respect to  $\gamma^3$  if the probability

$$\Pr \left[ \bigwedge_{i,j \in [N]} \|K_i - K_j\| \leq \gamma \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{pp} \leftarrow w\text{GKE.Setup}(1^\lambda, 1^N) \\ \{\text{trans}_i, \text{st}_i\}_{i \in [N]} \leftarrow w\text{Interact}(P_i, \text{pp})_{i \in [N]} \\ \{K_i\}_{i \in [N]} := w\text{KeyGen}(\text{pp}, P_i, \{\text{trans}_i, \text{st}_i\})_{i \in [N]} \end{array} \right]$$

is negligible, where the probability is taken over the randomness of weak-KeyGen algorithm and randomness of weak-Interact algorithm.

The above correctness definition of a *weak*-GKE shows that all the agreed keys from a *weak*-GKE protocol should be near each other instead of requiring them to be equal. Intuitively, this relaxed version seems to be easily reached, and we will show an explicit instantiation in next section.

**security** Here we define the security of *weak* GKE which is slightly different from the security definition of GKE. Recall the security definition of a GKE protocol, all the keys should be exactly equal, and thus there is no difference either of the following two cases: (1) the adversary is only given a single key, or (2) the adversary has all the keys. But in the case of *weak* GKE, the approximate-equality is needed, and thus above two cases are different. Here, the adversary is asked to distinguish the derived keys of a *weak* GKE from the same number of random dense keys.

For a probabilistic polynomial time( PPT) algorithm  $\mathcal{A}$  and the key space  $\mathcal{K}$  of a  $w\text{GKE}$ , we define the advantage of  $\mathcal{A}$  against the protocol  $w\text{GKE}$ , denoted  $\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}}^{w\text{GKE}}$ , as follow:

$$\Pr \left[ b' = b \mid \begin{array}{l} \text{pp} \leftarrow w\text{GKE.Setup}(1^\lambda, 1^N) \\ \{\text{trans}_i, \text{st}_i\}_{i \in [N]} \leftarrow w\text{GKE.Interact}(P_i, \text{pp})_{i \in [N]} \\ \{K_i\}_{i \in [N]} := w\text{GKE.KeyGen}(\text{pp}, P_i, \{\text{trans}_i, \text{st}_i\})_{i \in [N]} \\ b \xleftarrow{\$} \{0, 1\}, \text{ if } b = 1, K_i^* := K_i \text{ for all } i \in [N], \\ \text{ else } K_0^* \xleftarrow{\$} \mathcal{K}, \{K_i^*\}_{i \in 1, \dots, N-1} := K_0^* + \chi_{\gamma/2}, \\ b' \leftarrow \mathcal{A}(\{\text{trans}_i\}_{i \in [N]}, \text{pp}, \{K_i^*\}_{i \in [N]}) \end{array} \right] - \frac{1}{2},$$

where  $\chi_{\gamma/2}$  is a distribution bounded by  $\gamma/2$ , the probability is taken over the randomness of  $w\text{GKE.KeyGen}$ ,  $w\text{GKE.Interact}$ ,  $\chi$  and random coin toss of  $b$ . Our security definition of a *weak* GKE is as follows.

<sup>3</sup> We use the notion *correct respect to  $\gamma$*  rather than  $\gamma$ -correct due to the fact that the latter usually used to imply the correctness not holds with probability  $\gamma$ .

**Definition 4.2** We call a protocol  $w\text{GKE}$  is passively secure if the advantage of any PPT algorithm  $\mathcal{A}$  (eavesdropper) against the protocol  $w\text{GKE}$  is negligible in the security parameter  $\lambda$ , i.e.,  $\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}}^{w\text{GKE}}(\lambda) \leq \text{negl}(\lambda)$ .

Note that a GKE protocol is obviously a weak GKE. We instantiate this weaker version of GKE in the following section.

## 4.2 Instantiation of Weak GKE

In this section, instead of presenting a concrete instantiation of  $w\text{GKE}$ , we give a high level description of its existence. In particular, we construct a  $w\text{GKE}$  using a similar way as in [5, 18].

**Construction 4.3** The construction of  $w\text{GKE}$  is consist of three algorithm triples ( $w\text{GKE.Setup}$ ,  $w\text{GKE.Interact}$ ,  $w\text{GKE.KeyGen}$ ) as follows:

$w\text{GKE.Setup}(\lambda)$  : On input the security parameter  $\lambda$  and number of participants  $N$ , it first choose a random ring element  $a$ , a PRF, and an obfuscated circuit  $C$  (described in Construction 4.4),

$w\text{GKE.Interact}(\text{pp}, P_i)_{i \in [N]}$  : On input public parameter  $\text{pp}$ , party  $P_i$  choose a pair  $(s_i, e_i) \xleftarrow{X} R$ , and compute  $b_i = a \cdot s_i + e_i$ , then broadcast  $b_i$ .

$w\text{GKE.KeyGen}(\text{pp}, P_i, \{b_i\}_{i \in [N]}, (s_i, e_i)_{i \in [N]})$  : Party  $P_i$  evaluate the obfuscated circuit  $C$  on input  $\{b_j, s_j, e_j\}_{j \in [N]}$ , and let the sum of a random bounded value and the evaluation of  $C$  as it's session key.

**Construction 4.4** Input :  $a, (b_i, s_i, e_i)_{i \in [N]}$ , PRF:

For  $i = 0$  to  $n$  :

if  $b_i = a \cdot s_i + e_i$ , output  $\text{PRF}(b_1, \dots, b_N)$ .

Otherwise output  $\perp$ .

Hardness result of RLWE shows that  $b_i$  only leaks negligible information about the pair  $(s_i, e_i)$ . Since the  $i$ th party has exact values of  $(s_i, e_i)$ ,  $\{b_j\}_{j \in [N]}$ , and incorrect values of  $s_j, e_j$ 's for  $j \neq i$ , the statement  $b_k = a \cdot s_k + e_k$  holds for  $k = i$ , and thus it will correctly have the value  $\text{PRF}(b_1, \dots, b_N)$ . But those who hasn't any exact pair of  $(s_i, e_i)$  unable to have  $\text{PRF}(b_1, \dots, b_N)$ .

## 5 Group Key Exchange Protocol from Ring LWE

In this section, we firstly construct a GKE protocol from a weak GKE and key reconciliation mechanism. Then, we will show its correctness and security. After all, we will instantiate the GKE protocol.

### 5.1 construction

In this section, we present the construction of group key exchange scheme  $\text{GKE} = (\text{GKE.Setup}, \text{GKE.Interact}, \text{GKE.KeyGen})$  from a combination of weak group key exchange scheme  $w\text{GKE} = (w\text{GKE.Setup}, w\text{GKE.Interact}, w\text{GKE.KeyGen})$  and a multi-party key reconciliation mechanism  $\text{KeyRek} = (\text{KeyRek.Hint}, \text{KeyRek.KeyGen})$ . let  $\lambda$  be the security parameter and  $N$  be the number of participants, the construction of  $\text{GKE}$  is as follows.

**Construction 5.1** *The description of GKE as follows:*

$\text{GKE.Setup}(1^\lambda, N) \rightarrow \text{pp}$ : On input the security parameter  $\lambda$  and number of participants  $N$ , it obtains  $\text{pp}$  by running  $w\text{GKE.Setup}(1^\lambda, N)$ .

$\text{GKE.Interact}(\text{pp}, P_i)_{i \in [N]} \rightarrow \{\text{trans}_i, h_i, \text{st}_i\}_{i \in [N]}$ : On input the public parameter  $\text{pp}$ , each party  $P_i$  do the followings :

1.  $(\text{trans}_i, \text{st}_i) \leftarrow w\text{GKE.Interact}(\text{pp}, P_i)$ , and broadcast  $\text{trans}_i$
2.  $(K_i) \leftarrow w\text{GKE.KeyGen}(\text{trans}_i, \text{st}_i, P_i)$
3.  $(h_i) \leftarrow \text{KeyRek.Hint}(K_i)$ , and broadcast it.

$\text{GKE.KeyGen}(\text{pp}, (\text{trans}_i, h_i, \text{st}_i)_{i \in [N]}) = \{k_i\}_{i \in [N]}$ : On inputs  $\text{pp}, (\text{trans}_i, h_i, \text{st}_i)_{i \in [N]}$  generated from previous algorithms, it first generate  $K_i$  by running the algorithm  $w\text{GKE.KeyGen}(\text{trans}_i, \text{st}_i, P_i)$ . Then it runs  $\text{KeyRek.KeyGen}(K_i, \{h_i\}_{i \in [N]})$  to get  $k_i$ .

**Correctness.** Following theorem shows the correctness of above  $\text{GKE}$ .

**Theorem 5.2** *The GKE protocol GKE presented in Construction 5.1 is correct if the  $w\text{GKE}$  and  $\text{KeyRek}$  are correct respect to  $\gamma$ .*

*Proof.* From the correctness definition of  $\text{GKE}$ , we have following by union bound

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr \left[ \bigwedge_{i,j \in [N]} k_i = k_j \right] &= 1 - \Pr \left[ \bigwedge_{i,j \in [N]} k_i \neq k_j \right] \\ &\leq 1 - N^2 \max_{i,j \in [N]} \Pr[k_i \neq k_j]. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, for any  $i, j \in [N]$ , showing  $\Pr[k_i \neq k_j] \leq \text{negl}(\lambda)$  is suffice to show the theorem. To show this, we rewrite the probability  $\Pr[k_i \neq k_j]$  as

$$\begin{aligned} &\Pr[k_i \neq k_j \wedge \|K_i - K_j\| \leq \gamma] + \Pr[k_i \neq k_j \wedge \|K_i - K_j\| > \gamma] \\ &\leq \Pr[k_i \neq k_j \mid \|K_i - K_j\| \leq \gamma] + \Pr[\|K_i - K_j\| > \gamma] \end{aligned}$$

Since  $w\text{GKE}$  is correct respect to  $\gamma$ , thus  $\|K_i - K_j\| \leq \gamma$  holds except with  $\text{negl}(\lambda)$  probability. In addition, the conditional probability of  $k_i = k_j$  on  $\|K_i - K_j\| \leq \gamma$  is at least  $1 - \text{negl}(\lambda)$  by the correctness of  $\text{KeyRek}$ . Therefore we have  $\Pr[k_i \neq k_j] \leq \text{negl}(\lambda)$ . This completes the proof  $\square$

## 5.2 Security and Instantioation

Let  $\chi_{\gamma/2}$  be some bounded distribution, the following theorem shows the security of the GKE in Construction 5.1.

**Theorem 5.3** *The GKE protocol GKE presented in Construction 5.1 is (passively) secure assuming the (passive) security of KeyRek and security of wGKE respect to  $\chi_{\gamma/2}$ .*

*Proof.* We prove the theorem by contradiction. We start by assuming the theorem is false, that is there exists an adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  which can break the protocol GKE, then we will show that at least one of the following two statements holds: (1) There is a simulator Sim1 which breaks the security of wGKE. (2) There is a simulator Sim2 which breaks the security of KeyRek. This contradict with the theorem assumption that wGKE and KeyRek are secure, and thus the theorem holds.

To show the existence of an adversary  $\mathcal{A}$  which can break the protocol GKE implies one of the above two statements is true, we need following sequence of games.

**Game<sub>0</sub>** This is the ordinary GKE security game between the  $\mathcal{A}$  and the challenger.

**Game<sub>1</sub>** In this game, we modify the game so that challenger chooses  $K_0$  from uniform distribution instead of generating it by running  $wGKE.KeyGen$ , and then let  $K_i = K_0 + \chi_{\gamma}$ . Here we also require  $\chi$  be some distribution bounded by  $\gamma/2$  except with negligible probability.

**Game<sub>2</sub>** In this game, we change the way that the challenger compute the challenge key  $k^*$ . Here the challenge key  $k^*$  is chosen randomly instead of generating it by using  $KeyRek.KeyGen$ .

In what follows, we show the advantage of  $\mathcal{A}$  in the Game<sub>0</sub>, denoted  $Adv_{\mathcal{A}}^{Game_0}$ , is upper bounded by the advantage of corresponding algorithms ( $Adv_{Sim1}^{wGKE}$  and  $Adv_{Sim2}^{KeyRek}$ ) plus a negligible function in security parameter  $\lambda$ . By our assumption,  $Adv_{\mathcal{A}}^{Game_0}$  is noticeable, therefore  $Adv_{Sim1}^{wGKE}$  or  $Adv_{Sim2}^{KeyRek}$  is non-negligible, and this is what we want to prove. Now, we show it by following lemmas.

**Lemma 5.4**  $Adv_{\mathcal{A}}^{Game_0} \leq Adv_{\mathcal{A}}^{Game_1} + Adv_{Sim1}^{wGKE}$ .

*Proof.* The algorithm Sim1 works as follows:

At the beginning of the game, algorithm Sim1 is given  $(pp, \{\text{trans}_i, K_i^*\}_{i \in [N]})$  from its challenger, where  $pp$  is the public parameter of wGKE,  $\text{trans}_i$ s are the transactions and  $K_i^*$ s are derived keys of the wGKE if the challenger's coin toss  $b = 1$ , and  $K_0^* \stackrel{\$}{\leftarrow} \mathcal{K}$ ,  $\{K_i^*\}_{i \in 1, \dots, N-1} := K_0^* + \chi_{\gamma/2}$  otherwise. Then, Sim1 computes  $h_i := KeyRek.Hint(K_i^*)$  for all  $i \in [N]$ ,  $k^* := KeyRek.KeyGen(K_0, \{h_i\}_{i \in [N]})$ , and send  $(pp, \{\text{trans}_i, h_i\}_{i \in [N]}, k^*)$  to the adversary  $\mathcal{A}$ . At the end of the game, after receiving the  $\mathcal{A}$ 's guessing bit  $b' \in \{0, 1\}$ , Sim1 outputs  $b'$  as its guess of  $b$ .

If the challenger's coin toss  $b = 1$ , then Sim1 perfectly simulate the view of  $\mathcal{A}$  as in Game<sub>0</sub>. Otherwise, Sim1 simulates the view of  $\mathcal{A}$  as in Game<sub>1</sub>. Therefore, the lemma follows.  $\square$

**Lemma 5.5**  $\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}}^{\text{Game}_1} \leq \text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}}^{\text{Game}_2} + \text{Adv}_{\text{Sim}}^{\text{KeyRek}}$ .

*Proof.* The algorithm Sim2 runs as follows:

At the beginning of the game, algorithm Sim2 is given  $(\{h_i\}_{i \in [N]}, K^*)$  from its challenger, where  $h_i = \text{KeyRek.KeyGen}(U_i)$  for uniformly distributed  $U_i$ s such that  $\|U_i - U_j\| \leq \gamma, \forall i, j \in [N]$ . The key  $K^*$  is generated by the algorithm  $\text{KeyRek.KeyGen}(U_0, \{h_i\}_{i \in [N]})$  if the challenger's coin toss  $b = 1$  and generated by randomly if  $b = 0$ . Then, Sim2 obtain  $(\text{pp}, \{\text{trans}_i\}_{i \in [N]})$  by running  $w\text{GKE.Setup}$  and  $w\text{GKE.Interact}$ . Next, Sim2 let  $k^* := K^*$  and sends  $(\text{pp}, \{\text{trans}_i, h_i\}_{i \in [N]}, k^*)$  to the adversary  $\mathcal{A}$ . At the end of the game, after receiving the  $\mathcal{A}$ 's guessing bit  $b' \in \{0, 1\}$ , Sim2 outputs  $b'$  as its guess of  $b$ .

If the challenger's coin toss  $b = 1$ , then Sim2 perfectly simulate the view of  $\mathcal{A}$  as in Game<sub>1</sub>. Otherwise, Sim2 simulates the view of  $\mathcal{A}$  as in Game<sub>2</sub>. Therefore, the lemma follows.  $\square$

**Complete the proof.** Since the key  $k^*$  in Game<sub>2</sub> is uniformly selected, then the adversary's advantage  $\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}}^{\text{Game}_2}$  is zero. Furthermore, combining the above lemmas, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}}^{\text{Game}_0} &\leq \text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}}^{\text{Game}_1} + \text{Adv}_{\text{Sim}_1}^{w\text{GKE}} \\ &\leq \text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}}^{\text{Game}_2} + \text{Adv}_{\text{Sim}_2}^{\text{KeyRek}} + \text{Adv}_{\text{Sim}_1}^{w\text{GKE}} \\ &\leq \text{Adv}_{\text{Sim}_2}^{\text{KeyRek}} + \text{Adv}_{\text{Sim}_1}^{w\text{GKE}}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\text{Adv}_{\mathcal{A}}^{\text{Game}_0}$  is noticeable, at least on of  $\text{Adv}_{\text{Sim}_1}^{\text{KeyRek}}$  and  $\text{Adv}_{\text{Sim}_2}^{w\text{GKE}}$  is noticeable. This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Instantiation.** Concrete Instantiation of GKE straightly obtained by combining the instantiations of multi-party KeyRek and  $w\text{GKE}$  from the previous sections. Therefore, we omit the concrete description here.

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